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INTERESTING HAPPENINGS OF A GREAT STATE.

A REVIEW OF THE COTTON MILL INDUSTRY IN ALABAMA.

Bright Prospects for Railroad Building in Several Parts of the State—Election Committee Assail State Laws—Aldrich Declared the Representative from the Fourth—Big Coal Trade With Central America—Other Briefs.

SOUTHERN COTTON MILLS.

Some Interesting Figures Concerning the Building of Mills in Alabama.

The growth of the cotton mill industry in the south for 1897 was nothing short of phenomenal. In Alabama alone over $1,500,000 was expended on new cotton mills.

At Birmingham the Avondale cotton mills were erected, and will make print cloths. Capital stock, $600,000. It contains 35,000 spindles and 1,100 looms.

At Cordova—The Indian Head cotton mill will manufacture sheeting. Capital stock, $600,000; spindles, 25,000; looms, 800.

At Montgomery—The People's cotton factory, with a capital of $200,000. It contains 10,000 spindles.

At Oxford—The Blue Springs Cotton Manufacturing Company, to make yarns. Capital stock, $50,000; spindles, 5,000.

At Speigner's—The state prison mill, to manufacture sheeting. It contains 5,000 spindles.

At Anniston—The knitting mills of the Anniston Hosiery Company, to manufacture children's hosiery. Removed from Jacksonville, Ala.

At Huntsville—The Huntsville knitting mills; 16 knitting machines.

The following enlargements and improvements were made:

At Piedmont—The Coosa Manufacturing Company added 5,000 spindles.

At Tuskaloosa—The J. Snow Hardware Company added 80 looms.

A number of new mills and improvements are projected, and it is probable that those here given will be built this year:

A duplicate of the Indian Head cotton mill at Cordova.

At Greenville—The Wellchester cotton mill.

The Birmingham Cotton Manufacturing Company will double its plant.

The Selma Cotton Mill Company will double its present capacity of of 5,000 spindles.

At Thomasville—The Magnolia Manufacturing Company; capital stock, $150,000; 10,000 spindles.

At Decatur—Knitting mills; capital, $16,000.

The following new mills were erected in the south last year:

Alabama—Mills, 5; spindles, 80,000; looms, 2,292.

Florida—Mills, 1; spindles, 2,000; looms, ——.

Georgia—Mills, 7; spindles, 45,000; looms, 626.

Louisiana—Mills, 1; spindles, 1,500; looms, 10.

North Carolina—Mills, 9; spindles, 38,000; looms, 80.

South Carolina—Mills, 11; spindles, 95,000; looms, 2,472.

Tennessee—Mills, 3; spindles, ——; looms, 192.

Total mills, 37; total spindles, 256,780; total looms, 5,672.

ALABAMIANS

Who Are Officers on the Big Battleship Maine.

It may be of local interest that most of the officers on the battleship Maine, now in Havana harbor, are southern men. Two of them are from Louisiana—Wat T. Cluverius, appointed from the Second congressional district, 1891, and graduated third in his class in 1895; David F. Boyd, Jr., a native of Louisiana, but appointed from the Third Alabama district. Both of these are naval cadets. Two others are lieutenants, one of them being John Hood, of Florence, Ala., and I. J. Blandin, of South Alabama. Another Alabamian among the officers is Arthur Crenshaw, appointed to Annapolis from the Second district.

Good Roads for Morgan.

Morgan county has made a decided move in the direction of good roads by appropriating $15,000 to be expended each year upon the roads of the county, and the first work was done on them the past summer.

Industrial Activity in Franklin.

The Midland Ore Company, a corporation organized recently with large financial resources, has leased the property of the Hamilton Creek Ore Company, located at Hematite, Franklin county, and will soon be running and shipping ore at the rate of 400 to 800 tons per day. During the last year the latter company has expended over $1,000,000 building a washing machine, constructing railway tracks, etc., and in all its business transactions never had a law suit nor a strike, and doesn't owe a dollar. Fully 400 laborers will be employed. The ore will be consumed by the Sheffield furnaces.

Bryan's Birmingham Visit.

The Jefferson County Bimetallic club is arranging for William Jennings Bryan to visit Birmingham and deliver a speech in the Auditorium the day after Mardi Gras. Mr. Bryan was coming anyhow about the last of February, but the club will try to have him there at Mardi Gras, when the town will be full of people attending the carnival. It is stated that Mr. Bryan has practically agreed to come at that time, and will probably enter the city with Rex Vulcan III, king of the carnival.

ALABAMA GOLD.

Sixteen Mines Are in Operation, Employing Many Thousands.

There is extraordinary activity in the Alabama gold fields in Cleburne county. The mines are all working a good force of men, and the output is the greatest in their history. A large number of new faces were seen in the Arbacoochee and Fruithurst regions this week, prospectors from the east being most in evidence. Among recent transactions was the purchase of several mines by English prospectors. Sixteen mines are in active daily operation and fine quartz has been discovered at some of them. The Eudora mine has recently put in machinery and electric dynamos, and many others are preparing to do the same thing. Several thousand men are in the field and the force is increasing daily. The industry has developed slowly and gradually for three years, but now appears to be firmly and successfully established.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Huntsville now claims a population of 14,000.

Selma is shipping cotton direct to Japan. Twelve bands are put upon each bale.

The body of an unknown man was found in Limestone Creek in Limestone county.

The Dallas county court house is to have a new fire proof vault. The cost is to be $5,000.

St. Stephens is soon to be connected with the outer world by telephone line to Carson, on the Mobile and Birmingham railroad.

J. W. Ferguson, of Aurora, lost $1,350 in greenbacks from his pocket while driving from Aurora to Guntersville. The money has not yet been recovered.

Flomaton and vicinity is now undergoing a thorough system of disinfection at the hands of the United States Marine Hospital Service, in charge of Past Assistant Surgeon Oakley.

The body of J. Shelby McCown, formerly of Tullahoma, Tenn., was found in a creek near Belle Mina, Madison county, last week. It had probably been in the water for a month.

A. O. McCord, a prominent citizen of Guntersville, and agent for the Southern Express Company and N. C. & St. L. R. R., skipped from that place the past week with the proceeds of twenty bales of cotton.

M. & O. Extension Nearing Completion.

The building of the Montgomery extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad is progressing very rapidly. Track is laid twenty-five miles east of Tuskaloosa, and will reach Centreville, or the Cahaba river, early next week. The bridge at Tuskaloosa is nearly complete. All the false work has been torn away, and about all that remains to be finished now is the painting. The depot buildings, shops, round houses, etc., are being rapidly completed, the brick walls of these buildings being now complete. Messrs. M. T. Lewman & Co., contractors for all the depot buildings on the line, are having all the buildings framed at this point, which means the expenditure of an immense amount at Tuskaloosa. One hundred and forty-nine buildings are to be erected.

Lively Traffic in Cattle.

A stock train was handled by the Louisville and Nashville railroad, starting from Calera, thirty miles below here, the past week. There were seventeen cars of stock in the train, twelve of which will come from Selma and the other five cars from Montgomery. The train, as far as local officials are aware, will be run to Louisville. The stock is but another lot of the number of shipments of cattle made out of this state in the past few months to the west.

Convention Delegates Appointed.

The governor has appointed the following delegates to the southern interstate quarantine convention: Hon. John B. Knox, of Anniston; Dr. H. A. Moody, of Mobile; Hon. H. A. Sharpe, of Birmingham; Mr. W. F. Vandiver, Montgomery; Capt. John M. Bridges, of Selma.

Pierced With a Rifle Ball.

Milton West, a prominent farmer of Mountainsboro, was out in the woods looking after some timber. Bill Massey, one of his neighbors, slipped up behind him and shot West through the head with a rifle. No cause for the deed can be learned.

Finds Fine Specimens of Gold.

Deputy United States Marshal D. R. Burgess, while on a recent raid, found some very fine specimens of gold within a few miles of Anniston. One of the specimens was a nugget of virgin gold as large as a walnut, and the other was a rich piece of gold-bearing quartz.

Two Alabama Postmasters.

The president has sent the following nominations to the senate: Wm. T. Hutchens, postmaster at Huntsville, and P. D. Barker at Mobile.

ALDRICH IS GIVEN THE SEAT.

House Committee Severely Arraigns Alleged Alabama Frauds.

An unusually severe arraignment of alleged election frauds is made in the report filed by the house committee on elections No. 1, in the case of William F. Aldrich against Thomas S. Plowman, from the fourth district of Alabama.

Mr. Plowman is the sitting member, but the committee submits a recount of the vote giving Aldrich, republican and populist candidate, the seat.

The report says in part:

"We shall endeavor to demonstrate by what methods the will of the people was thwarted. In doing so, not all of the frauds perpetrated will be referred to; only salient features can be touched and representative instances cited.

"If the election laws of Alabama had been designed to encourage fraud and thwart the people's will, they could not have been in some respects more happily framed to meet that purpose."

After criticising the Alabama election as putting the honest vote at the mercy of dishonest markers, the report says:

"When it is known that the condition for such a state of facts exists, it is not strange that illiterate voters should remain away from the polls, in the hope that they would at least not furnish ammunition for their political opponents. But this made little difference to the democratic managers in Dallas county. They voted the illiterate colored men, present or absent. The machinery was simple and effective. Fortunately it has been discovered, and the details of its operations laid bare. Fraud is everywhere; not lurking or secret, but bold and insolent. It is chiefly of five kinds:

"1. Fraudulently padding the poll list with names of persons not registered; sometimes of fictitious persons and sometimes of persons who did not live in the precinct.

"2. By padding the poll list with names of persons on the registration list who did not vote.

"3. By imposing on illiterate voters.

"4. By the old-fashioned method of falsely recording voters.

"5. By refuisng to hold any election at all in certain strong republican precincts."

After going into much detail on alleged frauds, the committee says it has revised the vote on the most conservative lines, giving Aldrich a plurality of 542, whereas the election of Plowman was claimed by 2,967 plurality.

FORESTALLING BRITAIN.

Alabama Shipping Coal to Central American Ports.

Alabama's export coal trade is on a boom again. So heavy has the movement become that the Louisville and Nashville railroad has put on two extra freight trains to handle the business to gulf ports. The coal is being shipped to Mobile, Pensacola, Port Tampa and Brunswick, where it is loaded to Central American points. Belize, which has heretofore been supplied by the English, is now buying from Alabama, and there are prospects of building up a large coal trade in the Latin-American countries. The recent granting of a differential in all rail and water rates has served to boost export coal movements.

Will Shake Up the Boys.

It is understood that it is the intention of Governor Johnston to have a rigid inspection and examination of all the companies comprising the Alabama National Guard, and to see that the laws are faithfully executed. Companies that have negligently lost arms and accoutrements, that have failed to comply with the law in reference to drills, and have allowed their numbers to fall below the minimum will be disbanded. There are a number of applications for enlistment so that there will be no trouble to supply any needed vacancy.

Will Report Against Buckley.

A report came from Washington that Postmaster Buckley, of Montgomery, is going to be turned down. Buckley was nominated for the Montgomery office during the recess and has been dispensing the mail since then. His nomination is one of many pending before the senate committee on post-offices and its confirmation has been bitterly fought by some of his fellow republicans on charges involving irregularities of several kinds. His case, with others from Alabama, was referred to a sub-committee, that committee agreed to report it adversely.

Montgomery Will Own Its Waterworks.

The city council has been offered par for its $600,000 issue of 30-year 4½ per cent. waterworks bonds and has by resolution accepted the proposition. Sperry, Jones & Co., of Baltimore, are the bidders. By direction of the council a final proposition of $350,000 has been made Mr. Rice, the owner of the present system of waterworks, and it is believed he will accept, in which event the $250,000 balance accruing from the sale of the bonds will be expended in extending and perfecting the system.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

In the house today Mr. Boutelle, of Maine, reported back the two resolutions calling on the secretary of the navy for information as to the suitability of sites for an armor plate factory in the south, with the recommendation that they lay on the table. The report called attention to the fact that invitations had been issued for sealed proposals for the land, buildings and machinery for a government armor plate factory, which would be opened January 29, 1898, and that the secretary, when these were opened, would send a special report to congress containing all information.... Mr. Curtis, of Iowa, claimed the day for business from the District of Columbia committee, which consumed two hours.... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill, and after completing seven pages the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today Mr. Walthall, of Mississippi, presented the credentials of H. D. Money to succeed the late Senator George and the oath of office was administered to Mr. Money.... Mr. Walthall presented a joint resolution adopted by the legislature of Mississippi urging the United States to intervene in the Cuban war. Referred to committee on foreign relations.... The Teller resolution was then laid before the senate. Mr. Turpin addressed the senate in support of the resolution.... Mr. Morgan rose under a question of personal privilege to reply to a published statement of Mr. Cleveland concerning Hawaiian annexation.. . The pension appropriation bill was called up and debated, but no action taken, and at 5 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

In the house today a bill was passed granting American registration to the foreign built steamer Navajo. The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. Mr. Smith, of Arizona, made an attack on the present system of educating the Indian. He declared that the Carlisle and Hampton schools were a mistake; that an Indian could not be civilized by teaching him how to read and write and sing psalms. The Indian, he said, must receive an industrial education, but it must be given him in the vicinity of his home; not in the east. In this bill he said $2,500,000 was wasted. ....A political debate was precipitated over the existence of prosperity. Among those who spoke were Messrs. Terry of Arkansas, Sims of Tennessee, Underwood and Wheeler of Alabama, and others.... Without reaching a vote on any of the bills the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The senate, on motion of Mr. Hoar, went into executive session today as soon as it convened.... At 12:15 p. m. the doors were opened and the senate proceeded to general business. Mr. Quay secured the passage of a bill to indemnify the state of Pennsylvania for money expended in 1864 for militia called into service by the government. The amount involved is $46,000.... Mr. Quay also reported the army appropriation bill.... Mr. Butler, of South Carolina, offered an amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill providing for an extension of the experiment of rural free delivery to every state and territory of the union, and to as many sections of those states and territories as possible.... Mr. Perkins called up the pension appropriation bill. The amendment proposed by Mr. Allen providing that the lowest pension paid by the government be $8 a month was ruled out of order and the bill was passed.... The Teller resolution was laid before the senate, over which a general debate arose. The remainder of the session was taken up in the discussion.

The House—Wednesday.

Without any preliminary business the house today went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. The pending amendment was that to strike out the appropriation for the Carlisle Indian school. The amendment was defeated by a vote of 29 to 65. On motion of Mr. Griffin, of Wisconsin, an amendment was adopted to appropriate $10,000 for an Indian school building at Tomah, Wis.... The conference report on the urgent deficiency bill was submitted and agreed to.... Several minor provisions in the Indian bill were ruled out on points of order. In all, ten pages of the bill were disposed of today.... At 5:32 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today Mr. Hale, of Maine, presented the report of the conferees on the urgent deficiency appropriation bill and the report was agreed to.... Upon motion of Mr. Vest the senate took up the Teller resolution. The debate was opened by Mr. Teller, the author of the resolution, who was followed by others, and after an extended discussion of the silver question the senate went into executive session and ten minutes later adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

In the house today a bill was passed making Santa Fe, N. M., the permanent capital of the territory.... The Lewis resolution calling upon the president for the authority under the constitution under which he negotiated a treaty that will bind the treasury to pay $4,000,000 to Hawaiian bondholders was tabled by a vote of 143 to 101.... The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill.... Mr. Hartman, silver republican from Montana, got the floor on a pro forma amendment, and made a fiery attack upon the republican party, relating to bimetallism.... Without further amendment the committee rose and the Indian bill was passed. The house then immediately went back into committee and took up the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The general debate drifted quickly into the question as to whether prosperity had come with the Dingley law.... At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

After transacting some minor business the Teller resolution was laid before the senate, and after considerable discussion, it was agreed that the vote should be taken at 6 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, the last four hours of debate to be under the fifteen minutes rule. After this agreement had been reached Mr. Daniel resumed his speech began last evening. He was followed by Messrs. Lodge and Lindsey, of Kentucky, the latter with a set speech in support of the pending resolution. At the conclusion of a speech by Mr. Cockrell the senate adjourned.

The House—Friday.

This was private bill day in the house under the rules, but Mr. Grout, of Vermont, in charge of the District of Columbia appropriation bill, attempted to supplant the regular order with the consideration of that bill. This immediately caused a renewal of the fight over the bill to pay the book publishing company of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, $288,000 for damages sustained by it during the war, which had already consumed the entire time of two private bill days. The friends of the latter measure, under the leadership of Mr. Cooper, of Texas, rallied in opposition to the motion and defeated it on a rising vote—72 to 129. The roll call developed such an overwhelming majority in favor of the bill (the vote being 75 to 168) that Mr. Dalzell offered to make terms with the friends of the bill for the relief of the Methodist Book Publishing company and it was finally arranged that after debate until 4 o'clock, a vote should be taken directly on the bill. At 4 o'clock the bill was favorably reported to the house and on the demand of Mr. Dalzell, the vote on its passage was taken by yeas and nays. The bill was passed, 188 to 67..... The house then took a recess until 8 o'clock. The night session was devoted to pension legislation. No disposition to contest developed and the entire calendar of twenty-nine bills was cleared before the hour of adjournment, 10:30, arrived.

The Senate.

In accordance with agreement the senate convened at 10 a. m. today. By unanimous consent the routine business was waived, and Mr. Stewart, of Nevada, opened the last day's discussion of the Teller resolution. The entire day was devoted to the discussion, during which time many amendments to modify the resolution were made and put to a vote, all of which went down under the formidable silver majority in the senate. When the final vote was taken the vice president announced that "the yeas are 47 and the nays 32, and the resolution is agreed to." The Teller resolution is a practical reaffirmation of that of Stanley Matthews in 1878, and is as follows: "That all the bonds of the United States issued, or authorized to be issued, under the said acts of congress hereinbefore recited, are payable, principle and interest, at the option of the government of the United States in silver dollars or the coin of the United States, containing 412½ grains each of standard silver; and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principle and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor."

The vote in detail:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Bacon, Bate, Berry, Butler, Cannon, Carter, Chandler, Chilton, Clark, Clay, Cockrell, Daniel, Gray, Harris, Heitfeld, Jones (Ark.), Kenny, Kyle, Lindsay, McEnery, McLaurin, Mallory, Mantle, Martin, Mills, Mitchell, Money, Morgan, Murphy, Pasco, Pettigrew, Pettus, Pritchard, Rawlings, Roach, Shoup, Smith, Stewart, Teller, Tillman, Turpie, Turner, Vest, Warren, White and Wolcott—47.

Nays—Messrs. Aldrich, Allison, Baker, Burrows, Caffery, Cullom, Davis, Fairbanks, Foraker, Gallinger, Gear, Hale, Hanna, Hansbrough, Hawley, Hoar, Lodge, McBride, McMillan, Mason, Morrill, Nelson, Perkins, Platt (Conn.), Platt (N. Y.), Quay, Sewall, Thurston, Wellington, Wetmore and Wilson—32.

Turley with Deboe, Faulkner with Elkins, Gorman with Frye, Jones (Nev) with Proctor, Walthall with Spooner.

The first named would in each case have voted with the sustaining the resolution and against the resolution and for the amendments.

There was no demonstration on the announcement, and at 7 p. m., on motion of Mr. Allison, the senate adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

At the opening of the session of the house today a bill to permit the building of a dam across the Mississippi river at Coon Rapids, at the northern limits of the city of Minneapolis, was passed. Immediately afterward the clerk of the senate appeared and transmitted the Teller resolution, which passed the senate last night. The announcement was greeted by a terrific outburst of applause from the democratic side of the house. No motion was made at the time and the resolution remained on the table.... The fortification appropriation bill was reported, and then on motion of Mr. Grout the house went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The general debate was not confined to the general subjects dealt with by the bill. It covered a wide range. The Teller resolution, the Cuban question, Hawaiian annexation, the tariff and other political topics were discussed. After completing seventeen pages of the bill the house at 5 p. m. adjourned.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

President Dole, of the Hawaiian republic, is now in Washington.

There are now 103 registered whisky distilleries at work in the Raleigh, N. C., district.

A heavy earthquake was felt at Helena, Ark., the past week. No serious damage was done.

Twelve distinct shocks from an earthquake were felt at Tehuantepec, Mexico, Friday morning.

Spain has decided to send the first-class cruiser, Infanta Maria Teresa, to America instead of the Vizcaya.

According to official reports at Bombay, India, there have been 643 deaths from the bubonic plague during the past week.

Trouble has broken out again between the blacks and whites of Lonoke county, Arkansas, and a race war is threatened.

Chicago parties will erect a school at Cumberland Gap, Tenn., for the education of the people of the mountain district.

United States officers will arrest many people charged with helping to burn the two Seminole Indians in Oklahoma territory.

It is announced in a special dispatch from Shanghai that four German sailors have been murdered by the Chinese. This will give Emperor William a chance to seize another Chinese port.

The bodies of Mrs. Jane Corbett and Stephen Bennett, snatched from the Eagleville, Tenn., cemetery, were recovered at Burlington, Vt., and brought back. One arrest was made, a Dr. Hiemack.

A can of kerosene oil exploded in the boiler house of the Beenville Cement company's mill at Rosendale, Pa., setting fire to the mill and storage house. Both were totally destroyed. Loss, $100,000; fully covered by insurance.

Herman Breetz and Henry Goettel were arrested in St. Augustine, Fla., suspected of train wrecking and attempting to rob the East Coast pay train, also of burning the San Marco hotel at St. Augustine some weeks ago.

At London a majority of the engineers have voted in favor of accepting the terms of the employers. The exact figures have not yet been divulged, but the proportion is said to be about 25,000 in favor of acceptance to 11,000 against it.

It is said that the United States minister to Hayti, Wm. F. Powell, has been recalled at the request of the German government on account of his connection with the Lueders incident, which resulted in Germany sending warships to Hayti to collect indemnity.

At St. Joseph, Mich., the steamer City of Duluth, which struck the bar outside the harbor piers, and went ashore during a gale, has broken in two in the center, and the wreck is pounding badly. The life-saving crew saved the crew, consisting of about twenty-five, and the few passengers aboard.

BIG COTTON MILL FOR GEORGIA.

A Northern Company Will Build a Large Mill in the South.

A decision has been reached by the New York Cotton Mills Company of Utica to practically move its colassal plants to Georgia. In Utica, N. Y., there are four large cotton mill companies, the Mohawk Valley, Utica Steam Cotton, the Capron and the New York mills. Together their series of mills are Utica's principal industry and more than 5,000 persons are employed there.

The New York Mills Company has decided to meet the southern competition by establishing an immense mill in Georgia. The company's plans have not been entirely made public, though an announcement to that effect has been given out, but the exact location is withheld. The capitalization will be $1,000,000.

Mysteriously Murdered.

William H. Mann, night clerk at the Arlington hotel in Pulaski, Tenn., and about 62 years of age, met his death in the passageway of the hotel Saturday morning under very mysterious circumstances. He was in the dining-room ten minutes before he was found lying on his face dead. From the nature of his wounds on the head there are strong suspicions that he was murdered. Mann formerly lived in Birmingham, Ala.

Receiver Asked For.

In the chancery court at Mobile Huniosco Austill filed a bill praying for a receiver for the Mobile, Jackson and Kansas City railroad, alleging that the road is insolvent and not able to pay its debts. He claims that he is a stockholder to the amount of $12,000, and that the road is otherwise indebted to him for services rendered as president in the sum of $25,000.

To Settle in Alabama.

N. E. Thompson, who is in the north as the agent of Alabama commercial organizations, has written that 100 Pennsylvania Dutch families are making arrangements to come to southern Alabama to take up their homes. He says that if these families are pleased with their location, hundreds of others will come.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

Stormy Weather the Past Week Checks the Movement of Merchandise.

SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT IN COTTON GOODS.

The Movement in Wheat and Corn Continues Enormous—Wool Is Strong. Print Cloths Higher—Falling Off in Failures.

Favorable conditions in the trade situation continue to far outweigh those of an opposite character. Stormy weather throughout a large section of the country this week has checked the movement of merchandise into consumption, but a perceptible increase in the demand for seasonable goods is reported already resulting. The last week of the month closes with increased activity in many lines, a number of price advances, heavily increased banking clearings, as compared with one year ago at nearly all cities, another considerable drop in the number of failures reported, large exports of cereals, particularly wheat, corn and flour, and perceptible confidence in nearly all branches of trade as regards the outlook for spring business. Another favorable feature of the week is the slight but distinct improvement in the cotton goods situation, in which speculative activity is awakening.

Print cloths are higher and from makes of gray and medium weight cottons are more firmly held.

Pig iron is reflecting the effect of the present unprecedented production, and a further weakening in prices is recorded at eastern points.

Boots and shoes hold the late advance and manufacturers of heavy weights will not take orders for fall delivery at present prices.

Wool is strong on large sales and firm prices abroad.

Collections are generally reported fair, those indicating backwardness coming most generally from the South.

Cereal exports are again heavy, total shipments of wheat, including flour, for the week amounting to 5,110,624 bushels against 3,926,000 bushels last week and 2,515,000 last year.

Corn, 4,962,000 bushels this week against 3,486,000 bushels last week and 3,011,000 bushels last year.

Business failures for the week are the smallest reported in the fourth week of January for the past five years, numbering only 288 against 309 last week, 326 last year, 393 in 1896, 312 in 1895 and 340 in 1894.

Of the failures reported, 251, or 87 per cent were of concerns having less than $20,000 capital. Canadian failures number 48 against 46 last week and 56 a year ago.

WATER IN PLACE OF WHISKY.

Miss Bradley Will Christen the Battleship Kentucky Next Month.

A special from Frankfort, Ky., says: "When next month the battleship Kentucky glides from the ways at Newport News her decks will not be bathed in champagne or good whisky. The fair sponsor, Miss Christine Bradley, will uncork a beautifully embellished vessel full of pure water.

"On the farm in LaRue county, where Abraham Lincoln was born, there is an unfailing spring of cold, crystal water where, in his boyhood, the great emancipator was wont to slake his thirst, using a gourd or oak leaf dipper.

"The idea is to have a committee formally visit the spring, fill a silver vessel with sparkling water and seal it with appropriate ceremonies. Then the vessel will be given to Miss Bradley, who will guard it as a sacred thing until the time for breaking the seal on board the Kentucky."

A Fabrication.

A special from Havana says: The Spanish account of the victory of General Castelanos and the capture of the headquarters of the rebel government in the town of Esperanza, has now proved to be a fabrication. There is no such town as Esperanza near Cubitas. The name of the town founded and occupied as the capital by the rebel government is Agramonte.

The Spanish troops were unable to get near this place, being repulsed in the mountains and forced to retire with heavy loss.

Spain Thoroughly Satisfied.

A semi-official note just issued at Madrid in relation to the visit of the United States battleship Maine to Cuba says:

"This necessitates Captain General Blanco sending a battleship, as well as the cruiser Vizcaya, to visit American ports. The visit will be made the occasion of festivities in honor of the Spanish sailors and the different naval commanders will exchange visits. The forthcoming festivities are regarded here as well as in Washington as a pacific demonstration calculated to be satisfactory to both countries."

Battle Between Miners.

The situation at the Straight Creek mines is growing more serious each day. There are hourly conflicts between the union and the non-union miners, and serious trouble is feared if the differences are not adjusted. A general battle was fought Thursday night near the mines between union and non-union miners, in which seventy-five shots were exchanged. Wm. Moore and John and Andy Sexton, union men, were badly injured. It is reported that the non-union men shot from ambush.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

Only three favor a strait ticket.

Bro. Hardy's side show didn't pan out as he expected.

And now the question is, will Mr. Hardy want another conference?

Dr. Mosely is a wiser, if not a better man, since his visit to Shelby.

"'Twas ever thus from childhood hour, I've seen my fondest hopes decay."—J. D. Hardy at Calera Conference.

The friends of Col. Wm. H. Denson announce that he will be in the race for Congress in the Seventh District against Hon. W. M. Howard.

The promptness with which the Republicans tabled Mr. Hardy's amendment, shows very plainly that they fully understood the object of it.

Three votes in twelve hundred. Well, that is not so bad, but what it might have been worse. But three is hardly enough to be called a party.

The little scheme of a few kickers in the Republican party, "purely in the interest of democracy" was knocked into a cocked hat at Calera Saturday.

Bro. I. L. Brock, the talanted editor of the Cherokee Sentinel, is announced as a candidate for Circuit Clerk of Cherokee county. He deserves to be, and we hope will be, elected.

"The Republicans of Shelby should be on their guard."—Birmingham Times. Yes, Doctor, they have been on their guard for three or four years, as you perhaps learned while at Calera Saturday.

It is stated, in what is considered good authority, that English capitalists have decided to erect a million dollar steel plant at Birmingham. Options have been obtained on large tracts of mineral land.

The Republican conference at Calera last Saturday was all one way. There was not enough opposition to make it interesting. The charge made by Mr. Vandiver against the Chairman of the Populist Committee—false, every word of it—didn't influence a man, but they just went right along and sat down on the gentleman and his advisers.

A FRIENDLY SUGGESTION.

Talladega county has two candidates in the field for Solicitor for this judicial circuit, B. F. Wilson and J. B. Graham, and it looks now as if the contest will be a hot one for the endorsement of the Talladega delegation. Both gentlemen are prominent in the party, and both have, or think they have, claims upon the party, which can not be ignored.

The Advocate is disposed to keep the party out of the unpleasant predicament in which they are placed, by suggesting that they drop both gentleman and give their support to our tallented young townsman W. F. Thetford, Esq. Mr. Thetford is a Talladegian, worthy and well qualified, and would make a rattling good Solicitor. Then again our neighbor down the street is going to elect Bro. J. L. Peters as Judge, and the Solicitor ought to live in the same town.

We do not want to be considered as meddling with the affairs of our democratic friends, but just throw out these suggestions for the benefit of our Talladega friends.

In another column we publish an article on Jackson's Limbless Cotton, clipped from the Atlanta Constitution and written by R. J. Redding, editor of the Agricultural Department of that journal. The Advocate will not be a party to a fraud if we know it. Having published the advertisement of this cotton, we feel it due to our readers to give them the result of Dr. Redding experiments. The Advocate has received another proposition to advertise these seed, which we respectfully declined, after reading Dr. Redding's article. We know nothing about the merits or demerits of the Jackson cotton, but we have great faith in Dr. Redding's judgement. Our readers can judge for themselves.

Dr. Mosely made a great mistake in coming to Shelby to make his opening speech in his canvass for Governor, as the champion of a half dozen sore-h ads, who had failed to get an office. The Shelby Republicans would warn the Doctor to be on his guard and not go into another county to make a speech "purely in the interest of democracy," for that he might run upon another Williams, Withers, Heath or Peters.

Dr. Mosely will learn as he goes around in Alabama that Col. Wm. Vaughan is now the Chairman of the State Executive Committee, and the Republicans all over the State have the utmost confidence in his integrity and ability, and when in doubt about any line of policy, will always go to him for advice, well knowing that they will always get an honest, conscientious opinion without regard to the personal interest of any man.

Senator Pettus has introduced a bill directing the secretary of the treasury to pay to the State of Alabama, as trustee, the nett proceeds of the sale of coal and iron lands in Alabama, which under an act passed in 1882, are required to be sold. The money is to be used as a State school fund.

The young man without experience, proved himself equal to the occasion, and held down the kickers Saturday. Whats the reason he wouldn't make a good county chairman?

The Governor of Georgia and his staff have returned from Mexico, and are now prepared to tell the people what they know about bull fights. Happy Georgians.

The trial of John A. Gafford, who killed F. B. Lloyd—Rufus Sanders, last August, will commence at Greenville to-morrow.

Hon. W. J. Bryan has been invited to make three speeches in Alabama this month.

The Teller Resolution met a waterloo defeat in the House Monday.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich will be seated to morrow.

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ALDRICH IS GIVEN THE SEAT.

House Committee Severely Arraigns Alabama Frauds.

STATE ELECTION LAWS.

Report Declares That a Condition of Affairs Exist That Is Deplorable.

Washington, January 28.—An unusually severe arraignment of alleged election frauds is made in the report filed by the house committee on elections No. 1, in the case of William F. Aldrich against Thomas S. Plowman, from the fourth district of Alabama.

Mr. Plowman is the sitting member, but the committee submits a recount of the vote giving Aldrich, republican and populist candidate, the seat.

The report says in part:

"We shall endeavor to demonstrate by what methods the will of the people was thwarted. In doing so, not all of the frauds perpetrated will be referred to; only salient features can be touched and representative instances cited.

"If the election laws of Alabama had been designed to encourage fraud and thwart the people's will, they could not have been in some respects more happily framed to meet that purpose."

After criticising the Alabama election as putting the honest vote at the mercy of dishonest markers, the report says:

"When it is known that the condition for such a state of facts exists, it is not strange that illiterate voters should remain away from the polls, in the hope that they would at least not furnish ammunition for their political opponents. But this made little difference to the democratic managers in Dallas county. They voted the illiterate colored men, present or absent. The machinery was simple and effective. Fortunately it has been discovered, and the details of its operations laid bare. Fraud is everywhere; not lurking or secret, but bold and insolent. It is chiefly of five kinds:

"1. Fraudulently padding the poll list with names of persons not registered; sometimes of fictitious persons and sometimes of persons who did not live in the precinct.

"2. By padding the poll list with names of persons on the registration list who did not vote.

"3. By imposing on illiterate voters.

"4. By the old-fashioned method of falsely recording voters.

"5. By refusing to hold any election at all in certain strong republican precincts."

After going into much detail on the alleged frauds, the committee says it has revised the vote on the most conservative lines, giving Aldrich a plurality of 542, whereas the election of Plowman was claimed by 2,967 plurality.—Atlanta Constitution.

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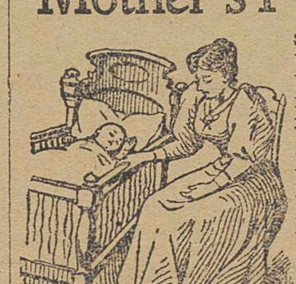

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The peculiar arrangement of the bolls, the size and appearance of the seed, the size of the bolls, the size of some of the leaves, etc., satisfied both Mr. Welborn and this writer of the identity of the two. But, to confirm our conclusion, we visited and carefully inspected the much talked of and grandiloquently described patch of 4 or 5 acres near Atlanta. This resulted in removing the last vestige of doubt in regard to the conclusion already reached, as well as revealed the fact that the noted patch, instead of being a "poor clay gall," was indeed a very highly improved and very highly fertilized spot of land. It was found to be what is commonly called a veritable "dunghill" spot.

On October 6th the variety patch (2 acres) on the experiment station farm, was picked over the third time, leaving very few bolls of any variety to open, and, as afterwards appeared at the final picking, only 7 per cent of the "Jackson" ungathered.

As director of the station, we immediately prepared and published "Press Bulletin No. 36," which gave the wonderful "African Limbless" cotton tenth place among 21 varieties, in point of total yield of seed cotton. At that time the comparative percentage yield of lint was not investigated. The final picking, November 14th, gave 'Jackson's Limbless' eighth place as to total yield of seed cotton. After giving the product of each variety, we found that 'Jackson's Limbless' yielded 37.1 pounds of lint per 100 pounds of seed cotton, equaled in this point by only one other variety. The effect of this was to place the "Limbless" in the third place as to value of total product of lint and seed. We have now issued press bulletin No. 37, which contains in detail all the points revealed by the test of the 21 varieties. A copy of this press bulletin No. 37 will be sent free to any person who may apply to "Georgia Experiment Station, Experiment, Ga."

In conclusion we wish to say that we have never at any time denied that the "Jackson's Limbless" cotton is "a good variety, especially for rich land and high culture." We repeat, now, that it is a very good variety. The points we are aiming at is to show that it falls far, very far, short of the claims that were made for it; that it is not a "new genus;" that it is not even a new variety; that it did not come from Africa; that it is not "limbless" (if limbs be not pinched off while young); that the staple is only a fairly good, short-staple upland; that it is not so productive as to give promise of "revolutionizing" the cotton business; that it is nothing but "Welborn's Pet," a variety that has been grown—especially in Texas and Arkansas—for a dozen years or more; and finally, that the seed are not worth $1 per 100 seeds, nor $7 a pound, nor $210 a bushel! We claim that we have made good every point in the above contention, and feel confident that the expose of the whole scheme will result in saving the farmers of the south hundreds of thousands of dollars!

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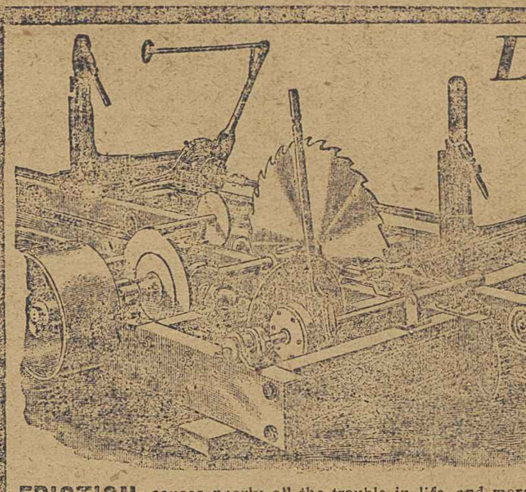

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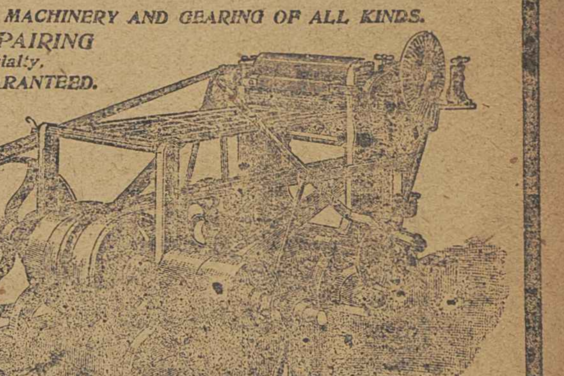

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One third undivided interest in south half of north east quarter sec. 36, tp. 21 range 4 west, and entire interest in west half of south west quarter sec. 13, and west half of north west quarter and north east quarter of south west quarter sec. 12, also the following land commencing at a point where the south boundry line of north west quarter of sec. 12, tp. 21 range 3 west, crosses South & North railroad, thence running 500 feet, thence north 1005 feet to a point 210 feet from railroad right-of-way, thence east 210 feet to said right-of-way, thence 1005 feet along said right-of-way to point of beginning, and the south east quarter of south east quarter of sec. 11. One third undivided interest in north west quarter of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, north east quarter of north east quarter of sec. 1, tp. 22 range 4 west, and entire interest in house and lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, known as lot No. 455, according to Davis Plot, of said town lots of land in said town heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of Mrs. Annie E. Vaughn, one half interest in lots 1-2-3 and 4 in the town of Calera, Alabama, being the property heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of W. D. Huggins, and the third interest in north west quarter of north east quarter, and east half of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, and entire interest in one lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore known as the Mostello Saloon lot, and which was heretofore purchased of J. C. Adler by W. E. Brinkerhoff, also lot No. 465 in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore purchased of Mathes & Co., by W. E. Brinkerhoff, and machinery in lease described in book of deeds 20, and now in possession of T. R. Wagner.

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Condensed schedule in effect January 16, 1898.

	No. *20	STATIONS.	No *19	
....	3.25pm	lv ..Selma.. ar	11.28am	....
....	5.11pm	..Montevallo..	9.25am	....
....	7.55pm	ar. Brm'ham. lv	6.45am	....

No. †23	No. §23	STATIONS.	No. †25	No. §27
4.30am	5.45am	lv ..Akron.. ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	6.43am	..Greensboro..	5.25pm	5.37pm
7.25am	7.19am	..Marion..	3.30pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.30am	..Marion Jct..	2.35pm	3.4 pm
9.5 am	9.53am	ar.. Selma.. lv	1.50pm	3.00pm

No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
....	7.25pm	lv New O'l's ar	8.30am	....
....	5.30am	lv Meridian ar	9.50pm	....
....	6.25am	....York..	8.45pm	....
....	7.32am	..Demopolis..	7.45pm	....
....	8.13am	ar Uniont'n lv	7.04pm	....
....	8.46am	..Marion Jct	6.11pm	....
....	9.28am	ar Selma lv	5.13pm	....
3.25pm	9.35am	lv Selma ar	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.26am	..Montevallo	3.37pm	9.25am
....	11.40am	....Calera....	3.17pm	....
....	12.01pm	Columbiana..	3.00pm	....
....	12.22pm	Childersburg..	2.37pm	....
....	1.2 pm	Talladega.	2.03pm	....
....	2.03pm	Oxford	1.25pm	....
....	2.16pm	..Anniston..	1.40pm	....
....	2.40pm	..Jacksonville..	12.58pm	....
....	3.05pm	..Piedmont..	12.15pm	....
....	3.57pm	Cave Springs..	11.34am	....
....	4.25pm	....Rome....	10.45am	....
....	10.40pm	ar ..Atlanta.. lv	7.50am	....

+23	*38	*36	STATIONS	*35	*37	+25
am	am	pm		am	pm	pm
....	6.00	4.15	lv ..Birm'ham.. ar	11.45	10.00	....
....	7.12	5.23	....Pell City....	10.25	8.48	....
....	8.10	6.30	....Anniston....	9.15	7.42	....
....	8.19	6.55	....Oxford....	9.07	7.32	....
....	8.55	7.32	....Heflin....	8.32	7.01	....
....	9.05	7.43	..Edwardsville..	8.19	6.50	....
....	9.13	7.53	..Fruithurst..	8.09	6.40	....
5.55	9.30	8.15	..Tallapoosa..	7.47	5.23	7.55
6.16	9.45	8.35	..Bremen..	7.27	5.05	7.32
7.23	10.31	9.24	Douglasville	6.40	5.16	6.29
7.35	10.40	9.35	Lithia Springs..	6.30	5.05	6.15
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STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome..........	....	4.15pm
Lv Knoxville..........	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown..........	9.50am	10.55pm
Ar Hot Springs..........	11.43am	12.23am
Ar Asheville..........	1.15pm	1.33am
Ar Salisbury..........	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro..........	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh..........	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk..........	....	5.25pm
Ar Washington..........	6.42am	9.25pm
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Ar Danville..........	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg..........	1.58am	3.55pm
Ar Charlottesville..........	3.30am	5.15pm
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Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Emeline Searight and Mariah Sanders, reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weaks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. McMILLAN,
jan. 20-3. Judge of Probate.

Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

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People's Advocate.

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

W. G. Parker is on the sick list this week.

Mrs. H. M. Norris has been quite sick this week.

50 mackerel for one dollar at J. H. Hammond's.

Big bottle snuff for 10 cents at J. H. Hammond's.

Ed. Duran, of Birmingham, spent Sunday in the city.

Elbert McLendon, of Calera, was in the city Tuesday.

Hon. A. P. Longshore visited Calera last Saturday.

W. W. Welch, of Talladega, was in the city yesterday.

M. S. Wilson of Longview, was on our streets last Friday.

Dr's. Gunn and Caffey, of Calera, were in the city yesterday.

The Shelby county Medical Society met in this city Tuesday.

A. F. Carden, of Weldon, was in the city a short while Monday.

Heinz's Best Krout and bulk pickles, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

Dr. W. A. Lovett spent Sunday and Monday with relatives at Bessemer.

Miss Emma Wilson, of Calera, is visiting friends in the city this week.

Flour is down, go to J. H. Hammond's and find out how much.

Miss T. Hammond left yesterday for a weeks visit to friends at Wilsonville.

J. R. Beavers, Esq., made a business trip to Fayetteville last Saturday.

W. M. Allen, a prominent populist of beat 12, ran down to see us Monday.

Messrs. T. J. Martin and R. M. Borum, of Harpersville, were in the city Monday.

Mr. Sam Lefkovits and lady left yesterday for Bessemer, to be gone several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Balbridge, of Birmingham, visited relatives in the city last week.

E. L. Spencer, of Birmingham, spent Saturday and Sunday with his family in the city.

Pete M. Rowland, of Atlanta, was selling goods to our merchants Monday and Tuesday.

Tobacco at 25 cents per pound by the caddy at

J. H. Hammond.

More tobacco for 10 cents sold here than anywhere else.

J. H. Hammond.

John Millstead and E. Deramus, of Wilsonville, attended the oyster supper last Friday night.

I sell Heinz's pure apple vinegar and give you a jug to put it in.

J. H. Hammond.

Onion sets by the quart, gallon or bushel, cheaper than the cheapest, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

The Columbiana Mercantile company will pay from 8 to 13 cents for dry hides.

The cold wave reached us on time. Monday night, Tuesday and Tuesday night was cold enough for anybody.

Miss Liela Parker, of Calera, accompanied by Misses Givhan and Howard, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city.

Messrs. Walker, Christian and Averyt and Miss Nalda Christian, of Shelby, attended the oyster supper at the Central Friday night.

Misses Georgia Bailey and Blossom Densler, of Wilsonville, were visitors to our city Friday and Saturday, the guests of Miss T. Hammond,

Rev. G. M. Lowery and John F. Hill, of River Bend, were in the city Monday, and while here gave the Advocate a pleasant call. Come again gentlemen.

W. D. Railey, of Vincent, transacted business in the city Monday. Mr. Railey informs us that he will soon have his shingle mill in operation near Harpersville.

For the next 20 days I will sell 2 packages of garden seed for 5 cents, and 10 cent packages for 5 cents. These seed are fresh and genuine.

J. H. Hammond.

Oyster Supper.

Last Friday evening brought to the citizens of Columbiana one of the brightest occasions that has yet been enjoyed within the range of church entertainments. The ladies of the Parsonage League are entitled to all praise for giving, and for their care, skill and taste in conducting the affair to the great pleasure of their many guests. Miss Belle Huyett, with so much of her unaffected social grace, and so well assisted by the excellent committee of entertainment, gave such a reception to all, that each felt to have a special welcome.

The music, under the management of Dr. W. A. Lovett, which was furnished for the occasion, filled the halls of the Central with its thrilling strains, and echoed in hearts inspired with gladness and cheer.

The dining-room, with four tables covered with snowy white linen cloths, having on each an artistic boquet of sweet, pretty flowers with the evergreen, (emblems of immortal grace and beauty) containing elegant dishes, and delightfully served by the polite attendants, presented a most enticing scene to all who came to test the skill in the culinary art of those who had charge of the kitchen department. The hot oyster stews and delicious teas, as they came from the deft and delicate hands of the expert culinaries and grand-dames, made one guest at least covet earnestly the gift of continuance upon his part.

The kindness of Mrs. Weaver in allowing the use of the hotel, was only equaled by the amiable art with which she made all easily feel as if at home.

Everything was arranged, and promptly and skillfully executed, which insured success, except one mistake in the beginning, the ladies' estimate of the number of guests was not equal to the number in actual attendance. For this mistake, there was felt the deepest regret, and the ladies of the League offer a guaranty to the friends of Wilsonville, Calera and Shelby, as also to those of Columbiana, that they will not by any similar error of their own, be placed in a situation which will render them unable to fill their own bill of fare.

A Guest.

One of the most delightful events of the season, was a social given at the residence of W. G. Parker, on East College street Monday evening, in honor of Miss Jessie McGhee, of Stanton. Three of Shelby's most charming young laidies, Misses Eloise Bell, Jessie Carter and Nalda Christian, added much to the enjoyment of the evening. After the merry couples had chatted for some time, most delicious refreshments were served. At the "wee small hour" each returned their appreciations of the pleasures of the occasion to that most delightful and charming hostess, Miss Susie McGehee, who so successfully entertained the fortunate ones in attendance, and then wended their way homeward, loud in their praise for the enjoyment had.

Dr. W. C. Bledsoe, of Montgomery, Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist State Board of Missions, gave a very able sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night, on the "Knowledge of Christ." After which a collection was taken for State Missions, which added to the collection Sunday morning, made $12 00.

Sunday was a cold disagreeable day, and Rev. A. E. Burns did not have as large a congregation out to hear his first sermon as he otherwise would have had. Those who did venture out, however, were richly repaid by hearing an able and logical sermon, "on the relation of Christ to the church."

The writer was absent and did not have the pleasure of attending the oyster supper at the Central last Friday night, but learn from those who did attend, that it was a success in every particular, and netted the ladies of the "Parsonage League" a handsome sum.

The Advocate regrets to learn that Dr. A. T. Rowe is confined to his room with an attack of something like "la grippe." The doctor has been called to the country frequently of late, and the cold disagreeable weather was to much for him.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich will please accept our thanks for a copy of the report of the committee on elections No. 1, in the contest case of Aldrich vs. Plowman.

Republican Mass Meeting.

At a mass meeting of the Republicans of Shelby county, held at Calera on Saturday, January 29th, the following proceedings were had:

The meeting was called to order by J. L. Vandiver, county chairman, who stated briefly the object of the meeting.

On motion, Eugene Williams was elected chairman, G. T. Jackson secretary, and A. M. Pope assistant secretary.

A resolution was offered and adopted, endorsing the action of Chairman Vandiver in calling the mass meeting and heartily endorsing the resolutions adopted at the conference held at Columbiana Nov. 26th, 1897, endorsing co operation with the People's Party in the coming campaign.

The following resolution was offered by G. T. Jackson:

Be it Resolved, By the Republicans of Shelby county in mass meeting assembled at Calera, January 29, 1898, that we request and instruct the delegates who may be elected from the various beats to the Republican convention of Shelby county, to be held between the 15th day of February and the 15th day of March, 1898, to do all in their power to bring about co-operation on an equitable basis with the People's Party, for in unity there is strength.

Mr. J. D. Hardy offered the following amendment, to-wit:

Resolved, That the Republicans of Shelby county, in mass meeting assembled, do give the Populites the following offices, namely: The Circuit Clerk, Representative and one Commissioner.

A motion was made to table the Hardy amendment, which was carried by almost a unanimous vote, only three voting in the negative.

The original resolution offered by G. T. Jackson was then adopted by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Hardy then made a speech denouncing the Populites and advocating a strait Republican ticket, purely in the interest of democracy.

Dr. R. A. Mosely then followed in a speech, announcing his candidacy for the office of Governor, and advising the Republicans to put out a full Republican ticket in Shelby county.

Chairman Williams replied to Dr. Mosely in a short speech, showing plainly that a strait Republican ticket in this county at this time would be suicidal to the Republicans of our county, and that it would be "purely in the interest of democracy." He also showed clearly that co-operation was our only hope to defeat organized democracy in Shelby county.

The meeting was harmonious and co-operation was the watchword of all true and loyal Republicans.

Eugene Williams,
Chairman.

G. T. Jackson,
Secretary.

Country Produce

Taken in payment for dental work, at cash prices. Office over Hammond's store.

Dr. W. A. Lovett,
Dentist.

Clem E. Greek, who was a few months ago appointed postal clerk in the United States mail service, left yesterday to take a run on the Alabama Mineral, between Calera and Attalla.

Read "A Bargain" advertisement in another column. It is certainly the best bargain ever offered in this section. The timber on the land alone is worth the price asked.

No Cure--No Pay.

That is the way Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil is sold for Barbed Wire Cuts, Burns, Scratches, Cracked Heel, Saddle Galls, Old Sores and all kinds of inflamations on man or beast. Price 25 cents. For sale by,

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←A BARGAIN→

The first man that applies with two hundred and fifty dollars cash can buy the

WEAVER PLACE

on the Mountain, with 22 acres of land attached. The house cost five times the amount asked for the place.

Call at The Advocate Office for further particulars.

Good Roads Convention.

Special to The Age-Herald.

Anniston, Ala., Jan. 31.—The good roads convention for the state of Alabama will be called to order in the city of Anniston, February 16, 1898, at 3 p. m.

The following programme has been arranged for the convention:

Convention called to order.

Temporary organization.

Address of welcome, by Hon. F. M. Height, mayor of Anniston.

Response, by Hon. J. C. Bush, mayor of Mobile.

Enrollment of delegates.

"The Need of Good Roads In Alabama," Gov. Joseph F. Johnston.

Address, by Gen. Roy Stone, director of board of inquiry, United States department, Washington, D. C.

"The History of Road Building In Jefferson County," Gen. George L. Thomas.

"Benefits Birmingham Has Derived From Jefferson's Good Roads," Gen. Rufus N. Rhodes.

"The History of Road Building In Madison County," Hon. Milton Humes.

"The History of Road Building in Montgomery County," J. M. Falkner.

"Our Highways; Their Construction and Maintenance," Dr. W. J. Kernachbeau, vice-president board of parliament of the United States.

"Exchange of Experience In Practical Road Construction," opened by Judge Zell Gaston of Greenville.

General discussion.

"The Use of Convict Labor On Public Roads," Dr. B. F. Riley, professor of English, University of Georgia.

"The Practicability of a Uniform Road Law In Alabama," Hon. Charles E. Waller, of Hale.

General discussion.

"Shall a Permanent Good Roads Association Be Organized?" Judge G. K. Miller, Talladega.

Judge D. R. McMillan has appointed the following as delegates from this county to the Good Roads convention to be held at Anniston on the 16th and 17th of February:

W. G. Parker, F. W. Gist, Jno. W. Pitts, J. P. Christian, T. R. Lovett, Dr. C. C. Oliver, I. W. Bailey, Dr. J. H. Gunn, A. P. R. Dahl, N. A. Graham, Dr. E. G. Givhan, Clifton Newton, C. W. Cary, W. H. Sturdivant, R. M. Deshazo, W. T. Smith, Fred H. Hardy, R. B. Posey, Dr. A. E. McGraw, George F. Peter.

Rehobeth.

Health of settelement not very good.

Farmers are far behind with their work too much rain for them at present.

Will Garrett is all smiles at this writing, there is a new arrival at his house, and its a boy.

Several of the boys are cutting crossties in this vicinity.

James Mackey lost a horse by death last week.

J. R. Davis made a business trip to St. Clair Monday.

C. H. and T. E. Davis went to Eden Wednesday.

J. P. Mackey has bought a fine buggy and harness.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gum Garrett was burried at Macedonia cemetery one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Burks are visiting relatives near Ashville, St. Clair county.

J. R. Davis has cleared a large new ground this winter. J. R. is a hustler.

Say, "Sager," of the Lewis Blows Frank and I have the same idea about the Advocate being better off without your sentiments, unless you could refrain from calling the other correspondents names. Now, "Sager," when "Frank" and I began to correspond to the Advocate, we did not expect to be a doormat for any one. We haven't any thing to give you, but we will dance at your pigeon toed daughter's tackey wedding. Boast about your big footed son, weep over your shriveled soul when it leaves your grasping body, and smile at your wife's second marriage, and if that don't suit you, you had better crawl in a hole and pull the hole in after you.

Reporter.

FOR RENT.

Two five room cottages. In good condition and in desirable part of the city. For further information, apply at the Advocate office.

Vincent.

Mrs. C. H. Florey is improving.

Mrs. S. L. Cresswell attended the wedding Sunday.

We are glad to see Miss Minnie Pelham able to be at her post again.

Mrs. J. M. Kidd returned from Florida Sunday, and will resume her office work.

Mrs. Ned Todd, nee Miss Annie Vincent, of Plantersville, attended the Florey-Vincent wedding this week.

Mrs. H. C. Phillips came over from Sylacauga last week to visit her mother Mrs. Fluker, who is still quite sick.

Miss Alva Nichols, a charming young lady of Childersburg, visited some of our girls Saturday and Sunday. Come again Miss Alva, the boys enjoy having you as well as the girls.

Mr. W. J. Florey and Miss Bessie Vincent were happily married Sunday last at 10:30 o'clock, Bro Roberts officiating. Mr. Florey is a young man of sterling qualities. Miss Bessie, the life of our town, is a lovely character, and well may Mr. Florey prize the jewel he has won. We wish for them a long life of pleasure and happiness.

Miss Zemma Samuel, of the Atheneum, and A. E. McGraw, Jr., of the Agricultural school, both came to the wedding. Miss Zemma was begging "sockless Jerry" to get married next month, so she would have an excuse to come home again, and from the way the poor fellow blushed, he must be planning something of the kind.

Occasional.

Old Elyton.

Health of community very good.

Gilbert and brothers will finish up ginning to-morrow.

Rev. Alonzo Overton preached an interesting sermon at New Hope the fourth Sunday, to a large audience.

Mrs. J. A. B. Lovett, of Bessemer, is visiting relatives and friends in this neighborhood.

Prof. Bass, who is teaching at New Hope, has a very good school.

Messrs. J. M. Gilbert and Chas. Cross visited relatives at Harpersville last week, and report a nice time.

W. N. Gilbert went to Columbiana this week on business.

We are having plenty of rain. It has not stopped the busy farmers from work. They are preparing to plant another crop of five cent cotton.

Mr. Dick Johnson went to Helena this week, and reports dull times down there.

The entertainment given by Mr. and Mrs. Bush, was enjoyed by all present.

Some of our farmers are plowing. They say they are going to make forty bales of cotton.

The old batchelor C. H., has gone to work. So look out girls, he needs a cook.

J. C. Johnson and family, and Miss Frances Johnson, have gone to Shelby to visit their sister, Mrs. J. H. Cross.

Miss Wilma DeShazo and brother, and Mr. James Bass and Miss Mattie Allen went to Bridgeton last night to attend a pound party, and report a nice time.

Sardine.

Mardi Gras, New Orleans and Mobile, Feb. 22nd, 1898. Reduced Rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the Mardi Gras Carnival at New Orleans and Mobile, February 22nd, 1898. the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its line to these points at rate of One Fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold February 16th to 21st inclusive, limited to return to March 5th 1898.

Call on any agent of the Southern Railway for further information.

Mardi Gras, Birmingham, Ala., February 22nd 1898. Reduced Rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the Mardi Gras carnival at Birmingham, Ala., February 22nd, 1898, the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its lines to Birmingham, at rate of one fare for the round-trip.

Tickets will be sold February 16th to 21st inclusive, limited to return to March 5th 1898.

Call on any agent of the Southern Railway for further information.

NOTICE!

We are now prepared to extend to the People of this Community any line of Credit they may desire, in Merchandise or Cash, from Fifty Dollars and up. No cash loans or agreement for Merchandise will be made less than Fifty Dollars to any party, and same must be secured by mortgage or note. No open accounts will be carried under any circumstances.

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Our buyer, Sam Lefkovits, will leave for Baltimore and New York on the 15th of February, to purchase an entire line of Spring and Summer Goods. So you may look out for Bargains, and if we can serve any of our customers with Special Orders, we will be glad to receive them at our store for the next 30 days.

RESPECTFULLY,

COLUMBIANA:-:MERCANTILE:-:COMPANY.

Columbiana, Alabama.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

WILLIAMS BROTHERS,

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Nothing Succeeds, Like Success.

We sell all of the leading medicines that Purifies the Blood, give tone to the stomache, aids digestion and assimiltes the food. We make a specialty of Pattent Medicines and Staple Drugs, Paints, Oils and Toilet Articles.

Prescription Department.

Our prescription department is also complete with a Full Line of High Grade Fluid Extracts, Tinctures, etc. Prescriptions carefully compounded from the Purest of Drugs.

We earnestly solicit your patronage, and will always save you some money when possible to do so.

RESPECTFULLY,

Hall Drug Company,

Columbiana, Ala.

Farmer Points

Health of our community very good.

Horse swapping seems to be the order of day at Farmer. Mr. Mosteller we learn exchanged twice last week.

A. H. Merrell, chairman of the township trustees, visited Prof. Newman and his school last Thursday. He reports that the Prof. is getting along nicely. and the children advancing rapidly, and that there is nothing likeing on Prof's. part. We learn that all the Patrons like him and only regret that the school is so near at a close.

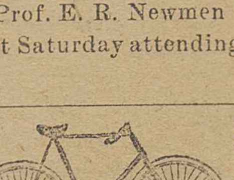
Rev. Mr. Burns preached an able and interesting sermon at Good Hope last Sunday.

The young people of this community report having a nice time at the entertainment Friday night out at Kewahatchie.

We learn that Miss Roxie Curlee and Miss Sudie Seale visited Miss Bell Seale and her school last Friday evening. They report having a nice time.

Prof. E. R. Newmen was in town last Saturday attending to buisness.

Rope.



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Young Ladies employed on the same terms.

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Prices as low as is consistent with good work. Satisfaction guaranteed. Patronage from neighboring towns and country solicited.

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Notice No. 19518.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Ruben Gilliam, Homestead entry No. 25,745, for the NW¼ of NE¼, NE¼ of NW¼, sec. 3, tp. 19 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Quito, Ala., John W. Walker, Highland, Ala., Andrew N. Wilson, Highland, Ala., Rufus M. Acton, Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19519.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Homestead entry No. 26,748, for the NE¼ of SW¼, sec. 6, tp. 20 south of range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ruben T. Gilliam, Quito, Ala., Paul Nabors, William Payne, Henry C. Taul, all of Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Could Not Run the Risk.

The Squire—By the way, Giles, I haven't seen you at church for some time; anything the matter?

Giles—Wull, sir, it is like this: Last time I went I 'ad a penny an' a two-shilling piece in my pocket; by mistake I put the two-shilling piece in the plate; and, wull, I shouldn't like it to happen again, sir.—London Sketch.

A Crank's Wife.

When a man is so mean and cranky that nobody wants to have anything to do with him his wife always says he has a peculiar disposition.—New York Press.

Great Gathering of Game.

F. J. Tracy, of Staceyville, Maine, had an interesting and rather exciting experience a short time ago while in the woods on an exploring trip. He made his camp by the side of a small pond about fifteen acres in extent, which abounds in trout, and is a gathering place for big game. He was standing near this pond when he saw at one time fourteen deer, three moose, and four black ducks, all within rifle shot.

Fine clothes do not make the woman, but they sometimes break the husband.

"Coasting" on the Bible.

A friend of the Listener has seen a funny sight down in Maine. At a place there, which needn't be named, there lives a small boy named Jonathan Longfellow, who is a third or fourth cousin of the poet; and he is a great boy, too. One day this friend of the Listener was driving past Jonathan's house, and saw the boy engaged at a little distance in sliding downhill, on a slippery crust on something that was not a sled. What could it be? Evidently the scrutiny of the passerby was observed by the boy, for he stopped his coasting and called out amiably: "I'm sliding downhill on the Bible!" And it was the fact, too. He had got the smooth, leather-bound family Bible, containing the generations of all the Longfellows, and was coasting on it with magnificent success.—Boston Transcript.

That Way All Around.

Jack—That Miss Beverly, to whom I bowed just now is a regular Klondike.

Tom—That so? Rich?

Jack—Yes; also cold and distant.

That Everlasting Irritating Itch.

That describes Tetter, Eczema and other skin diseases. 50 cents will cure them—stop the itch at once. 50 cents pays for a box of Tetterine at drug stores or postpaid for 50 cents in stamps from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

$100 Reward. $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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Oh, What Splendid Coffee.

Mr. Goodman, Williams Co., Ill., writes: "From one package Salzer's German Coffee Berry costing 15c I grew 300 lbs. of better coffee than I can buy in stores at 30 cents a lb." A. C. 9

A package of this coffee and big seed and plant catalogue is sent you by John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 15 cents stamps and this notice.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free Dr. R.H. Kline, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

Piso's Cure cured me of a Throat and Lung trouble of three years' standing.—E. Cady, Huntington, Ind., Nov. 12, 1894.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

The greatest beer drinkers in the world are the Bavarians. The beer drunk in Bavaria annually is about fifty gallons per head of the popula ion. The Belgians come next to the Bavarians.

Use "C C C" Certain Chill Cure. Best in the world. Certain Cure Co., Evansville, Ind.

A Kansas City woman, arrested for swindling people as a fortune teller, confessed the swindle and offered as an excuse for her business that "few respectable women could earn an honest living unless they became swindlers."

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

The royal fiddler, the duke of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, is reported to have paid 35,000 francs for a Stradivarius violin.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.

Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

The crusade against the spitting nuisance has now been taken up by the health associations of Germany.

Sciatic Rheumatism

"I have been troubled with sciatic rheumatism and have been taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. I improved every day and now am as well as I ever was in my life. I feel five years younger than I did before taking Hood's Sarsaparilla." Wm. O'Brien, 2515 4th Avenue, West Troy, New York.

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Yours truly, Robert L. Taylor.

For sale by all druggists at 25c., or sent direct.

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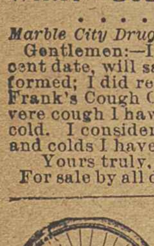

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PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION 25 CTS.

GUARDING THE NORTHWEST.

THE CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE AND ITS MANIFOLD DUTIES.

A Peace Organization Under Military Regulations—History of the Troop and the Service It Performs.

With the report that the miners in Dawson City were in arms against the mining regulations adopted by the Canadian government an additional force of the Northwest mounted police was ordered to the front to quell disturbance. This call to action is but one of the many duties to which members of the force are subject, and this hard march over frozen rivers, trackless wilderness and mountain passes barely exceeds in severity many of the tasks which frequently fall to their lot. For twenty-four years they have regularly patrolled the immense territory of the Canadian northwest, reaching from the United States boundary northward to the utmost bounds of habitation, have preserved law and order and administered justice to evildoers.

The causes leading to the organization of this body are very simple. Indians are passionately fond of whisky, and white men are passionately fond of money. "Firewater" does not improve an Indian's disposition, and the trouble arising from the unlimited trade in spirituous liquors caused the government to establish a patrol. Accordingly, on the 3d of November, 1873, 150 men from the eastern provinces were sworn in at Fort Garry, near Winnipeg. Here they remained until the following July, when they were joined by 150 more men, also from the east, and marched by horse overland to Fort McLeod, a distance of 1,200 miles. The force consisted of 300 men until 1885, during the Indian troubles, when it was increased to 1,000 men. After the Yukon discoveries a number were sent up there, and the recent difficulties in that region will occasion several more detachments being sent. It is officially announced, however, that no new additions will be made, but that men will be withdrawn from districts where their presence is not so necessary.

While the primary object in the organization of this body was to keep the Indians in a peaceful state their duties are many and varied. The occupation of settlers in this district is largely stock raising. In earlier days while herding them it was the delight of a band of lawless characters to create a stampede, and in the disorder which followed head off 30 or 40 cattle and drive them away. The police have sometimes followed for days on their trail and perhaps regained the cattle, but the thieves themselves nearly always escaped capture. All the season, too, horses and cattle, distinguished only by the brands of their owners, would be found on the prairies, and frequently wander over the national boundary into the United States, and vice versa. To keep these herds separate and prevent neighborhood visits, a constant patrol was kept up along the boundary. In more settled portions of the country the police visit each ranch once or twice a week. It was the further duty of the police to keep a sharp lookout for whisky traders and smugglers, who found trade with the northern Indians very profitable.

After the extinction of the buffalo the northern Indians were left practically destitute and the Canadian government in their treaty of 1876, in consideration of the Indians giving up their lands, agreed to put the southern Indians on rations and those further north on reservations and partial rations. They also agreed to give every man, woman and child $5 per year and chiefs $15 a year. Before it became the province of the Indian agent it was the duty of the police to distribute this money and rations. In the discharge of this duty trouble was often occasioned or narrowly averted, it being the natural tendency among the Indians to claim larger families than they actually possessed, hoping thereby to secure more money and rations.

The police inspectors make regular trips over the northern trails to the outposts of civilization, and on account of the remoteness and consequent rudeness of the judicial system, they are given magisterial powers, receiving complaints, conducting trials and imposing sentences on the way.

In this north country the principal resource is the fur trade, and in their anxiety for a large "take" it has been habitual with some to set out poisoned bait. This had the effect of decreasing the supply of fur, as the poisoned animal would frequently wander off and be lost. It also caused the death of many Indian train dogs, which are very valuable to their owners, being used as a pack or draught animal as well as a hunting dog. It had also been common for hunters to leave their campfires in careless shape, and the land being mainly muskeg, would smolder the fire until summer, when it would burst out in the timber with highly destructive results. Very strict laws, therefore, were enacted governing these matters, with severe penalties attached.

The inspectors' winter trips are made by dog team, and often over unbroken trails with the temperature from 50 degrees to 70 degrees below zero. The matters coming before these itinerary judges are for the most part violations of the poison, fire and liquor ordinances, but occasionally domestic difficulties, such as wife beating, come up for his consideration.

The salaries paid these troops vary according to length of service, as follows: Private, from 50c to 90c a day; staff sergeants, $1.50 a day; inspectors, $1,000 a year; superintendents, $1,400 a year; commissioners, $3,000 a year. The privates and staff sergeants are allowed clothes and rations.—Detroit Free Press.

Sad Joke on a Famous Judge.

Roy Bean, High Judge of the Courts of Langtry, where justice is dished out to the living and the dead alike in Judge Bean's own novel and distinctive way, was in San Antonio last week, on the occasion of which visit he was made the victim of a cruel practical joke. He met a drummer at the hotel, who said he had just come from Langtry.

"Did you see my bear? How is he getting along?" was the Justice's first question.

Judge Bean's bear throughout West Texas stands second in fame to the Judge himself. The animal was chained to a tree in the rear of the Judge's beer saloon, and in its day drank many a bottle of beer at a cost of 25c. per bottle, to the edification of the wayfarer who was compelled to spend a few hours in Judge Bean's judicial district.

"Didn't you hear of it?" asked the drummer. "The bear died last night."

The drummer had an old score to wipe out at Roy Bean's expense, and he succeeded in convincing the judge that his bear was dead.

Roy Bean lost no time in making for the telegraph office, where he penned these instructions:

"Skin the bear and express the skin to me at once."

To this he attached his signature, which is law in Langtry. Bean's man at the saloon promptly killed the bear and expressed the skin, and in the letter that accompanied the fur was this note:

"We hated to kill the bear, and he hated to die. It took three shots before he gave up the ghost. We are now smoking the bacons."

When Roy Bean received the message he broke three chairs, and then set out in quest of the drummer. The offender is said to be conducting earnest diplomatic negotiations by mail with "The Law of West Texas."—San Antonio Express.

FEMALE POLICE.

They Guard the Private Apartments of Siam's King.

The king of Siam's private life is passed in utter seclusion within the Khang Nai, or Inside, as the harem is known among the Siamese. This Inner Palace is forbidden ground to any man, European or native, except under very special circumstances, and then only when accompanied by a guard of trusted servants. It is safe to assert that no man has ever been personally acquainted, even in a remote degree, with the life or history of the inmates. The king is the only representative of his sex who lives in this community of women—one amidst thousands! There is a force of female police for preserving order and punishing any unruly members. Flogging with a rattan is resorted to for certain offenses, and only those wives who are of royal birth enjoy immunity from such treatment. Several European ladies have been admitted to parts of this Inner Palace, and on the authority of one of them I can state that the "first queen" understands a little English. This is less surprising from the fact that the king had for some years an English tutor for the princes—four of whom are now being privately educated in England and one at Harrow.

It is doubtful if any European could fully explain the position of the ladies of the harem. Even if the Siamese themselves knew, they do not impart the information; in fact, among them it is contrary to etiquette to make any allusion to the subject. One of the wives is known as the "first queen," and takes official precedence of all the others. Another is often referred to as the second, and sometimes a third is mentioned. These are all near relatives of the king, and, with the other wives of royal blood, take precedence of those who may be regarded as commoners.

There is no limit to the number of women that the king may take to wife and although they may be dismissed at will, to have been admitted as a member of the Khang Nai, far from being in any way derogatory is regarded as an honor.

The king's sisters do not marry for fear of creating rivalry for the throne; neither do his daughters, who remain all their lives in the harem; but perchance some future king may offer them a position similar to that held by their mothers. So jealously are these ladies guarded from contact with the world, that in 1879 an elder sister of the first queen was allowed to drown in the presence of a number of spectators, not one of whom was permitted to put a hand on her, even to save her from certain death.—Washington Star.

Goat Hunting in Alaska.

"They have a queer way of hunting mountain goats up in the mountains back of Skaguay," said D. J. McKinney, the "Mayor of Skaguay," at the Hotel Northern. "The boys at one of my camps told me one day that they had seen some goats up in the hills and they asked me if I wanted to go along to hunt them. Of course I did, and we were soon climbing high up on the mountains, away above the altitude that I thought any living creature would live. Still up and up we went. The boys were trying to get above a place where they had seen the goats a few days before. When they had located the proper point they selected a huge bowlder and got me to help them tip it over. It took the combined strength of three of us to get it started. When it did get going the havoc it caused on its way down to the valley was something fearful. Then the boys told me to get ready for a surprise. We all got our rifles ready and waited. It was only a short time until we saw emerging from the shrubby growth below us, three fine goats. They came towards us, bounding from crag to crag, and apparently heedless of the danger they were running into. They came to within sixty yards of us and we brought down all three.

"I learned then that the goat always tries to get above rolling rocks, and that that is a favorite way of hunting them."—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The Lily and the Ancients.

Most everybody has observed the strange characteristic of the water lily bud opening its petals at sunrise and closing them again at sunset. It was for this reason mainly that the ancients held the water lily sacred to the sun. Pliny says: "It is reported that in the Euphrates the flower of the lotus plunges into the water at night, remaining there till midnight, and to such a depth that it cannot be reached with the hand. After midnight it begins gradually to rise, and as the sun rises above the horizon the flower also rises above the water, expands and raises itself some distance above the element in which it grows." It was also through this peculiarity that [illegible] considered the lily an emblem of the world as it rose from the waters of the deep.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

"TURNING" THE TURTLES.

ENORMOUS NUMBERS CAPTURED ON THE ISLAND OF ASCENSION.

The Massive Reptiles Resort to the Islands at Night to Deposite Their Eggs—A Lively Scene—Diving for Turtles.

One of the most favored spots frequented by turtles is, or used to be, the desolate island of Ascension, in the South Atlantic, a barren volcanic patch belonging to Britain, and, because used exclusively as a naval depot, entered upon the books of the Admiralty as one of Her Majesty's ships. An enormous number of turtles were annually "turned" there, and preserved in a small lagoon from shipment to shipment. It was my pleasant privilege to assist at one of these turnings, and I bear a very vivid recollection of the game. Crouched low beneath a huge bowlder one evening about 8 o'clock, we could hear a hollow, reverberating murmur of the mighty surf outside, suggesting sleepily irresistible force. A dazzling wreath of snowy foam, gleaming like burnished silver, fringed the quiet stretch of glittering sand, which, gently sloping upward and landward, was bounded by gloomy bastions of black lava. Beyond that shining semi-circle of glowing white lay the blue-black bosom of the quiet little bay now heaving gently as that of a sleeping child. Hither and thither threading its inscrutable depths, glided spectrally broad tracks of greenish light, vivid, yet ever brightening and fading, as if of living flame. Presently there emerged from the retreating smother of spume a creeping something of no very definite shape, under the glamour of the molten moonlight, but making an odd shuffling progress inland, and becoming more recognizable as it rose. Another, and yet another, and still more arrived as the shining tracks converged shoreward. At last the dark shapes came near enough for a novice to know them for turtle. Soon the first comers reached their limit, and began the work for which they had come. Each massive reptile, by an indescribable motion of its fore flippers, delved into the yielding grit, throwing the spoil behing it and upward until it was enveloped in a misty halo of shining sand. Then the whole beach was alive with the toiling Chelones and their male attendants, who shuffled about, emiting curious noises, but whether of encouragement or affection this deponent sayeth not.

Divers of them came from far—so far that none who have not witnessed the swift cleaving of their true element by the ungainly monsters could believe how the wide sweep of those eager flippers devours the fleeting leagues. In a short time many of the delving turtles had sunk below the level of the surrounding sand, while some had ceased their digging and commenced to deposit their eggs. Suddenly we rushed upon them, and for many minutes the swarming beach was apparently a scene of wild confusion. Really, the plan of attack was well ordered; and when the first scurry was over nearly all the visitors were to be seen wrong side up, waving their flippers deprecatingly. In less than half an hour the loneliness was again regnant, all the victims having been towed off through a gap in the rocks to a spacious spoilarium in the lagoon behind, there to await their transit to the goal of most good things, London town.

Another way practiced most successfully by the amphibious Kanakas of Polynesia is to slip noiselessly into the water, and, diving beneath the turtle, grasp his hind flippers with crossed hands. One swift and dextrous twist places the prize on his back, in which helpless position he is kept with ease upon the surface until the canoe arrives, and he is transferred to it. Among the coral reefs of the Friendly Islands turtle fishing is a highly favored form of sport, and when the reptiles are surprised among the tortuous shallow channels between the reefs or in the almost land-locked lagoons, they rarely escape. Here it is useful to the fisherman to spring upon the turtle's back, and, clutching the fore edge of the shell with both hands, to hang on until his prize is exhausted and speedily brought to the surface.—Chamber's Journal.

Snakes Do Not Bite.

The common error, which is almost universal, is that snakes bite. Snakes do not bite! Their jaws are connected only by a cartilage, are not hinged and cannot be brought together with any force. The poisonous snake strikes from its coil, throws its head and body forward, and strikes or hooks its fangs into the object aimed at. The entire work is done with the upper jaw, the lower jaw having nothing to do with it. The serpent does not swallow its prey; but slowly draws itself over the creature it devours. It is enabled to do so by the elasticity of the skin and the extraordinarily loose condition of the teeth-bearing bones of its fangs. As for a snake depositing a thick slime all over its prey before swallowing it, it is a mistake. The tongue does not carry moisture enough to do this, but when once inside the animal there is an abundance of saliva. The tongue is looked upon as a sting, and the common expression is: "Look out for its sting!"

The tongue is a mobile, extensile organ of both touch and taste. So far from being a sting, the delicate implement is of the greatest use, and expresses fear, anger or pleasure; also when testing any objects of food. This we have often proved whenever a different kind of food was given. There is no doubt but that the tongue of a snake is very important to its owner, as the slightest injury, even to its tips, generally results in the snake's death. —Scientific American.

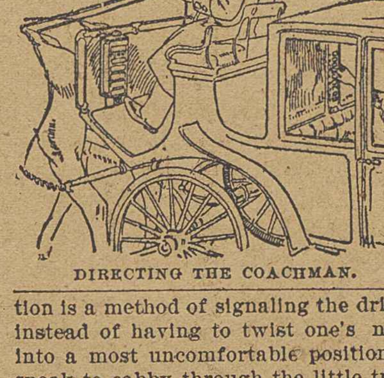
Snap Shots Under Water.

A photographic apparatus for divers on submarine excursions has been devised by Senor Borteus of Rio de Janeiro. It consists of an incandescent lamp with reflector in the diver's head piece, and an ordinary camera inclosed in a rubber envelope having a glass front. Electricity for the lamp is supplied by a small dynamo in a boat above. Pictures are taken by pressing buttons through the rubber covering, and objects in Rio de Janeiro bay have been photographed under water at a distance of ten or twelve feet as easily as in full daylight.—Philadelphia Record.

SIGNALS FOR COACHMAN.

How His Movements May Be Controlled by a Push Button Device.

The luxurious French, having tasted of the comfort and desirability of electric lamps in their railroad coaches and automobile carriages, have now adopted it for use on ordinary horse-drawn cabs. While the storage batteries necessary for this are quite an additional load for the cabs, yet anything to surpass one's neighbor is fashion's dictum the world over. Added to this innovation is a method of signaling the driver instead of having to twist one's neck into a most uncomfortable position to speak to cabby through the little trapdoor. The proposed Parisian improvement provides a small box in front of the driver, on which, by pressing various buttons inside the cab, the following words appear in a red light: "Left," "right," "walk," "faster," "stop," "turn," "home" and "slower."



DIRECTING THE COACHMAN.

As the electric power is required for the lamps, this little signal box consumes but an inappreciable amount of current and is of the greatest assistance.

NEWEST UNICYCLE.

Boston Man Cleverly Treats This Fascinating Subject.

Just what value there is in a unicycle has never been successfully proven, yet inventors go on turning out new examples with striking regularity. Mr. Thos. Tolson, of Boston, is the creator of the latest example in unicycles, which has been described as follows:

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A Benefactress' Kind Act.

From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. John Tansey, of 130 Baker Street, Detroit, Michigan, is one of those women who always know just what to do in all trouble and sickness. One that is a mother to those in distress. To a reporter she said:

"I am the mother of ten children and have raised eight of them. Several years ago we had a serious time with my daughter, which began when she was about sixteen years old. She did not have any serious illness but seemed to gradually waste away. Having never had any consumption in our family, as we come of good old Irish and Scotch stock, we did not think it was that. Our doctor called the disease by an odd name, which, as I afterward learned, meant lack of blood.

"It is impossible to describe the feeling John and I had as we noticed our daughter slowly passing away from us. We finally found, however, a medicine that seemed to help her, and from the first we noticed a decided change for the better, and after three months' treatment her health was so greatly improved you would not have recognized her. She gained in flesh rapidly and soon was in perfect health. The medicine used was Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I have always kept these pills in the house since and have recommended them to many people. I have told many mothers about them and they have effected some wonderful cures.

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Her Opinion of Him.

Nan—Really now, Laura, Mr. Soppy seems greatly attached to you.

Laura—Even so, that's nothing to me. —North American.

How Boston Struck Him.

Here is a not too flattering notice of old Boston, written by a Londoner in 1699: "On the southwest side of Massachusetts Baye is Boston; whose Name is taken from a Town in Lincolnshire. The Houses in some parts joyn as in London. The Buildings, like their Women, being Neat and Handsome. And their Streets, like the Hearts of the Male Inhabitants, are Paved with Pebble."

They Are Still Here.

"They say that poetry is dying."

"Yes, but, unfortunately, the poets aren't."

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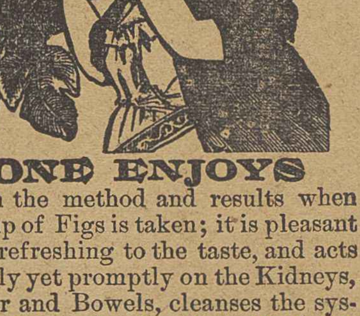

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THE PEOPLES ADVOCATE.

"THE LOVE OF COUNTRY GUIDES."

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It is expected that before long Canada can sell annually $50,000,000 worth of butter and cheese to Great Britain.

Italy naturally declines to enter into land-grabbing ventures in China, partly, perhaps, because of some understanding with her partners in the Triple Alliance, but chiefly, suggests the New York Tribune, because she has had enough of that sort of thing in Africa to last her a while longer.

It is a great thing to be a writer from a State that is proud of itself and of its people, exclaims Life. That's an immense advantage that a novelist has who was born in Massachusetts, Virginia or Kentucky. He knows that, however cold at first may be the rest of the country toward his work, there will be one fine constituency that will open his book with a heart predisposed to receive him graciously. The consciousness of such good will warms the writer while he works, and the glow remains in his pages. It is contagious, and the reader from an alien State participates in it—proud that at least he belongs to the same federation.

Some time ago the Atlanta Constitution called the attention of its readers to the fact that the various European powers were engaged in making extensive naval preparations regardless of the talk of arbitration in which both hemispheres have glowingly indulged of late. In a recent document presented to the British Parliament the annual naval expenditures of the leading Nations of the globe were set forth in the following figures: Great Britain, $126,000,000; France, $64,000,000,; the United States, $30,500,000; Japan, $29,700,000; Russia, $29,000,000; Germany, $21,000,000, and Italy, $20,500,000. These figures are hardly in keeping with the dreams of universal peace in which philanthropic minds are wont to indulge, as they show that the day is still remote when the gatling gun will be exchanged for the olive branch in settling international disputes.

The ease with which Colonel Ruiz and Mr. Tosca, a clerk in the office of the United States Consul-General in Havana, found their way to the camp of the Cuban insurgents near that city, suggests to the Chicago Record that "the commanders of the Spanish armies in Cuba are not very anxious to find the enemy. The members of the Spanish legation here explain that it is comparatively easy for an individual to approach an insurgent camp, but it is impossible for a body of troops to do so, for the same reason that the Irishman could not catch the flea. The insurgents have no wagons or baggage, they are not incumbered by supplies of ammunition or commissary stores, they have no tents or camp equipage, they sleep on the ground, with the sky for a coverlid, and when it rains seek shelter of sheds, plantation houses or trees. They move with great rapidity, and scatter into small bands and retreat in different directions whenever they are attacked or pursued. With this guerrilla mode of fighting it is impossible for the Spaniards to overtake or surround them."

Some people who are always on the lookout for dangers and difficulties have discovered that the employment of Japanese servants upon the men-of-war of the United States is likely to prove embarrassing if we should ever happen to get into a row with that enterprising little country over the annexation of the Hawaiian islands or for any other reason. Formerly, relates W. E. Curtis, the favorite servants on naval vessels were Chinese, but when the agitation against them on the Pacific Coast commenced some years ago they were rapidly displaced by Japanese, who are equally as skillful, obedient and attentive. They are better educated and often more intelligent, although they do not rate as high for honesty as the celestials. It is as difficult to denationalize a Japanese as a Frenchman. He may go to the end of the earth and remain for a lifetime. He may be under any kind of foreign influence and form any sort of attachments, but he is always a Japanese and the interests of his native country are uppermost in his heart. It would be easy for a servant on board a man-of-war to learn all about that vessel, her arms and ammunition, her speed and horse power and even the orders of her captain, but what good would it do? All important information concerning our ships is published annually in forms that the entire world may read, and it would be very difficult for a Japanese citizen on board a naval vessel to learn anything whatever that need cause apprehension if communicated to his Government.

CURRENT EVENTS IN OUR OWN STATE.

ANNUAL SUMMARY FOR 1897 OF THE CLIMATIC AND CROP SERVICE OF THE WEATHER BUREAU.

Deplorable Accident in Which a Teacher Accidentally Kills a Pupil—Alabama's Coal Output for the Year 1897—Shipments of Cattle from the State Has Been Very Heavy—An Ex-Tax Collector Short in His Accounts.

STATE'S CLIMATIC CONDITIONS

During the Year 1897 as Compiled by the United States Weather Bureau.

The United States department of agriculture has just issued an annual summary for 1897 for the Alabama section of the climatic and crop service of the weather bureau.

The publicatien is authorized by the secretary of agriculture under the direction of Willis L. Moore, chief of weather bureau, and is compiled by Frank P. Chaffee, section director, stationed at Montgomery.

The following general climatic summary for the year 1897 for the state of Alabama will prove of interest to every class of citizens, who are subject to climatic influences:

The climatic condition in Alabama during the year 1897 were marked by a wet and backward spring and unseasonably cool and wet spell during the greater part of August and a generally dry and late fall. The late spring was detrimental to cotton, which also received a decided set back by the deficiency in warmth and excess of moisture at its most critical stage in August, but the late fall matured a large portion of the crop, which in the middle of October was not at all promising. The monthly rainfall for March was heavier in many portions of the state than for any March of which the weather bureau has a record, causing almost floods in the larger rivers and submerging lowlands, while during the fall months the deficiency in moisture caused such low rivers that navigation was suspended in the Alabama rivers for several weeks and many small streams and wells were dry. The rainfall for the year was partial to the northwestern and southwestern counties and was least in central portions of the state.

There was but one real severe freeze during the year, which occurred during the last few days of January, and it was not so severe as to seriously damage fruit trees. The month of June was marked by a number of destructive wind storms, which, while causing considerable damage to crops and property in a number of places, were mostly of a local nature, and fortunately caused no loss of life.

Temperature—Average for northern section, 62.4; for southern, 66.1; for state, 64.2, which is 1.2 degrees more than the yearly normal, but 1.4 degrees less than the average for 1896; highest, 105, at Hamilton, June 27th, Pine Apple, June 29th, Scottsboro, July 2d and Decatur, July 3d; lowest, 7 below zero at Valley Head on January 28th; annual range for entire state, 112 degrees; the greatest yearly average was 68.3 at Citronelle and the least 60.4, at Madison.

Precipitation (in inches and hundredths)—Average for northern section, 47.74; for southern, 47.92; for state, 47.83, which is 1.80 less than the yearly normal, but 3.58 more than the average for 1896; greatest yearly, 63.18 at Mobile; least, 26.93 at Clanton; greatest monthly, 20.83 at Newburg in March; least, none at a number of stations in September and at a few in October.

Weather—Average number of rainy days, 89; clear, 171, indicating more than the average amount of sunshine; partly cloudy, 76; cloudy, 118.

Wind—Prevailing direction, north; highest hourly velocity, 54 miles from northwest at Montgomery, June 19th; total yearly movement, Montgomery, 57.207 miles; Mobile, 64.954; Pensacola, Fla., 84.165; average hourly velocity, 6.6 miles at Montgomery and 7.4 at Mobile.

Frost—Average date of last killing in spring: Northern section, April 4th; southern section, March 4th. Average date of first killing in autumn: Northern section, November 6th; southern section, November 25th.

Long Distance Telephones to be Placed.

W. S. Ford, of Boston, chief engineer of the American Bell Telephone Company, and W. T. Gentry, assistant superintendent of the Southern Bell Telephone Company of Atlanta, are in Birmingham arranging for making extensive improvements in Birmingham's telephone service. The Bell Company has recently purchased the two-story brick building on Second avenue, next to the postoffice. It will be at once remodelled and fitted up for a telephone office. A switch board that will cost more than $20,000 will be put in, and before very many months long-distance telephone lines will connect Birmingham with Atlanta, Nashville, Montgomery and other cities.

Big Attendance for Anniston Convention.

Fifty counties in Alabama have reported delegates to the good roads convention in Anniston on February 16th and 17th. The names of four hundred and eighty delegates have thus far been sent in, and sixteen counties are yet to report. It is now estimated that not less than 550 delegates will be in attendance at the convention, and that not less than 8,000 people from the surrounding country will be there on the same day to help Anniston celebrate her sixteenth birthday.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Ex-Congressman Cobb is a candidate for attorney-general.

The Mobile Register has passed its seventy-eighth anniversary.

Eighty per cent of the Lauderdale county taxes is paid by Florence.

Galem, alias "Pig" Horton, was shot and instantly killed by Lige Hall at Huntsville Friday night.

Marshall county populists will hold a convention at Guntersville March 12 to select candidates to make the race for county offices.

The new town of Brock, in Coffee county, is coming along handsomely. A central school is to be built, and land has been donated for churches of several denominations.

The first train over the new road reached Enterprise the past week. On to Elba is the watchword and Coffee county will soon be in railroad communication with the world.

Hon. Charles A. Towne, former member of congress from Duluth, Minn., chirman of the silver republican party, delivered an address in Birmingham Monday night.

Last week Mr. J. T. Watt sold to Mr. J. B. Mitchell, of Letohatchie, probably the largest hog that was ever raised in Greenville. Mr. Watt says the hog was only two years old and weighed 700 pounds. It was a Berkshire boar.

The grand jury at Selma reported Tuesday thirty-three true bills, making a total of ninety-two in all, and still there are several more cases to be investigated. There were fifteen homicides to be investigated by the present grand jury.

Two Mormon elders are in Selma this week, and declare their intention of establishing a Mormon church there. They are making a house-to-house canvass of the city, and when permitted, enter and discuss their doctrines. They claim to have eighteen organizations, consisting of 865 members, in the state.

Fred Nabors and the two Dempey boys, all white, aged 12, 9 and 7 years, set on fire two barns in Montgomery Friday morning, which were a total loss. They confessed also to setting on fire the Baptist church the day previous and another stable, besides other attempts at incendiarism. They say did it with coal oil, and wanted to see the fire engines run.

Preparing for the Chautauqua.

Mr. Wellington Vandiver has been elected manager of the Alabama Chautauqua and he will associate with him twenty of Talladega's best business men, who will constitute a board of control. All receipts of the Chautauqua will be retained by the citizens and devoted to the improvement and continuation of the Chautauqua. The manager will conduct it free of charge, and without compensation, except as the board of control may determine. The amount to be paid for talent will be $1,000. The program will last but fifteen days—from June 30th to July 16th. Some of the attractions the management will try to secure will be Hon. Jerry Simpson, of Kansas; James Whitcomb Riley, the Bell Ringers, the Moving Pictures, Eli Perkins, Wm. J. Bryan, John Temple Graves, Jerry Black's Picture Play, Slayton Jubilee Singers, Arion Quartette, President Geo. Hindley, Miss Hearn, Kellogg Bird Carnival and other well known attractions.

Of Interest to Confederates.

Governor Johnston is in receipt of a letter from an old federal soldier at East Beady, Pa., seeking to ascertain the names and whereabouts of the relatives of one J. D. Brown, a Confederate soldier and member of Company K, Nineteenth regiment, Alabama volunteers, who fell a victim on the battlefield at Missionary Ridge.

Teacher Accidentally Kills a Pupil.

A deplorable accident occurred at Yantley, Butler county, last week. John D. Phillips, who is teaching at that place noticed two of his scholars quarreling, and went out to quell the disturbance. He told the boys to desist and go into the house. One of them went in very readily, but the other, James Wilson, refused to go. Phillips started toward him to assert his authority as master of the school. Wilson refused and struck him twice with a base ball bat. In the meantime Phillips had picked up another bat and struck Wilson a light blow on the temple, at which he dropped to the ground and became unconscious. He never rallied, and soon after he died.

A New Religious Sect.

A new religious sect has a foothold in Choccolocco valley, near Choccolocco. They are called the "Separance Brothers." According to a statement by one of the number the Separance Brothers own no property but simply hold their possessions in trust, to be handed down from generation to generation until the final day of accounting arrives. They claim to be members of the body of Christ, believe in a universal brotherhood among members of the sect.

ALABAMA COAL FIELDS

In Marion and Western Counties Will be Developed.

There is no longer any doubt that the coal fields in the western part of the state in Marion county will be speedily developed and opened up to the world. Captain W. H. Spradin is now at Winfield on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad to make the survey for a railroad from that town to some point where direct transportation can be had to the seaboard. A survey will first be made to Tuskaloosa by way of Fayette. By this route the Winfield coal can be taken to the Warrior river at Tuskaloosa, and loaded on the barges there for Mobile, or distributed throughout the southern part of the state by means of the new Mobile & Ohio extension from Tuskaloosa to Montgomery. Coal could also be shipped from Tuskaloosa down the Alabama Great Southern to New Orleans.

Three other surveys will be made from Winfield, one to Columbus, another to West Point via Vernon, and the third to Aberdeen. For a direct route to New Orleans, the route by way of West Point seems to be the most favorable. At that point it can connect with the Illinois Central.

This scheme is being carried out by the Mississippi Valley Coal and Railway company, and not by the Illinois Central or any other of the big roads, as has been stated. In this company are Henry Wellman, president of the Teutonic Savings bank of New Orleans, and several other capitalists of that city and Mississippi. The object of the company is to get a splint coal into New Orleans that can compete with the Pittsburg product. They sent a coal expert throughout the south to look up the best field of this coal, and the very best quality was found in Marion county. The bed is six by eight miles in size, the seam is from three feet to forty inches thick and is very easily mined. This company bought it all up, 18,000 acres.

Capt. W. H. Spradlin, the chief engineer, who is to make the surveys, is one of the pioneer railroad builders of this state, having had charge of the work on the South & North and other roads in Alabama. He has already sent a carload of surveying and camping implements necessary to make the survey to Winfield.

Will Participate in Democratic Primaries.

Twelve leading populists of Jefferson county have issued a call to the members of the people's party in that county to hold a meeting in Birmingham February 19, to determine whether or not they will participate in the democratic primaries. Following is the list of names signed to the call: G. W. Ellis, M. C. Ragsdale, G. U. Belcher, J. B. M'Cormack, C. P. Ward, R. M. Inzer, T. W. M'Donald, W. A. J. Reed, W. F. Lambert, W. H. Fitzpatrick, M. A. McCutcheon, Jere Fountain.

Six Million Tons.

State Mine Inspector J. D. Hillhouse has received reports from all the coal mines in the state except four on last year's output. The total so far foots up 5,800,000 tons, and Hillhouse says when all are heard from it will go to the six million ton mark. The total output of 1896, heretofore the largest in the state's history, was 5,743,697 tons. Last year's showing even breaks this big record. Alabama's coal industry was never so prosperous before as now.

Marion Nominates City Officers.

As a result of the mass meeting of citizens held in the court house last Friday afternoon to nominate municipal officers to be voted for at the coming election on the 1st day of March, Mr. E. T. Robinson received the nomination for mayor, Messrs. R. B. Wallace, S. A. Nelms, T. T. Daughdrill, James Gregory, W. H. Mason, Sr., and A. L. Pope for councilmen.

Murdered His Parents.

One of the most horrible crimes ever perpetrated in the state took place five miles north of Mulberry, in Franklin county, Arkansas, Thursday night. Sol F. Autrey, a farmer, accompanied by his family, went out to visit his aged father and mother, living neor Mulberry. Shortly after his arrival Autrey became engaged in a religious argument with the old folks. Suddenly he grasped an iron bar, killing his aged father, mother and his 10-year-old son and seriously wounded his wife and three remaining children, two of whom are not expected to live. The murderer is insane, declaring that witches were the cause of the act.

Cost of the Cuban War.

The cost of the Cuban war from February, 1895, to the end of 1897, is officially estimated by the Spanish government at $240,000,000, besides the arrears due from the Cuban treasury, amounting to $40,000,000. The Imparcial claims that the commercial negotiations between Spain, Cuba and the United States are being intrusted to Senor De Lome, Spanish minister at Washington, and urges the government to appoint experts to examine the terms of the treaty on Spain's behalf.

WARLIKE PREPARATIONS.

Three Big English Squadrons Have Been Ordered to Be in Readiness.

A special trom Shanghai says: "The North China Gazette says the British Indian, Australian and Pacific squadrons have been ordered to be ready to reinforce the fleet in the far East, thus giving the British Admiral a fleet capable of coping with "any combination opposing the British policy."

"In the meanwhile," adds the Gazette, "the British claim in Yang Tse Kiang will be supported by a strong squadron stationed at Chusan, to which place two other warships are en route. In the event of Russia hoisting her flag over the fort at Port Arthur, the British Admiral has been ordered to hoist the English flag over Chusan, and the Japanese fleet will ascend the Yang Tse Kiang so soon as the river rises.

"About 7,500 Russian artillery and cavalry and quantities of stores and munitions have arrived at Kirin, the capital of the Manchurian province of Kirin."

IS IT RETALIATION?

Sixteen Thousand Barrels of American Apples Denied Admittance by Germans.

A special from Berlin says: The Prussian minister of finance, Dr. Miguel, issued a decree the past week, which goes into effect immediately, prohibiting the importation of every kind of American fresh fruit. The decree has been sent to all the German ports and frontier stations excepting Bavaria, Saxony and Wurtemburg.

The United States embassy was not previously warned, and the United States ambassador, Mr. Andrew D. White, sent a formal letter to the foreign office inquiring upon what authority this inimical step was taken.

The United States consul at Hamburg, Dr. Hugh Pitcairn, telegraphs that 16,000 barrels of American apples have been forbidden to be unloaded and that two trains of American fruit have also been forbidden to cross the frontier at Emmerich, which, aside from Hamburg, is the principal place of entry.

BISCUIT TRUST ORGANIZED.

Over 90 Per Cent of All Big Bakeries in in the Consolidation.

All the big biscuit and cracker companies between Salt Lake City on the west, Portland, Me., on the east, St. Paul in the north and New Orleans on the south, are now under one management, under the name of the National Biscuit Company. It is capitalized at $25,000,000 of preferred and $30,000,000 of common stock.

Incorporation papers were taken out in New Jersey. The new company has purchased for cash all the assets, bills receivable and operating plants of all the bakeries which were controlled by the American Biscuit and Manufacturing Company, United States Baking Company and New York Biscuit Company.

United States Car Plant Sold.

The properties of the United States Car Company, comprising the plants in Anniston and Decatur, Ala., saw mills and timber lands in Etowah, Calhoun and Cherokee counties, were sold Thursday. The sale was made by J. A. W. Smith, special master, and the property was bought by Richard Reid Rogers, of New York, representing the reorganization committee, for $60,000. The property is now being operated by the Illinois Car and Equipment Company, a corporation formed by the reorganization committee.

Klondike Speculators.

The steamer Queen sailed from Tacoma Friday for Skaguay and Dyea. She carries northward 1,000 passengers, 1,300 tons of freight, 200 dogs, 30 horses and a score of carcasses of dressed cattle, hogs and sheep. The women wore short skirts, knickerbockers and other snug costumes. Nearly all the passengers on the Queen intend to ultimately go to the interior of Alaska. The passengers are from every quarter of the globe.

Reindeer Start for America.

A cablegram received at the war department Friday from Dr. Jackson, at Altena, Norway, announced that the steamship Manitoban, chartered by the United States government, had just sailed from that port for New York with 530 reindeer and 87 Lapp men and women to care for the animals and drive them on the government relief expedition when they arrive in Alaska.

Tom Watson for Governor.

It is announced and from high sources that Hon. Thomas E. Watson will be the populist candidate for governor of Georgia. It is a fact that the state convention, which meets in Atlanta March 16th, will nominate him by a unanimous vote, and that he will accept there is now no doubt.

Favorable Report for Buckley.

The senate committee on postoffice and post roads Thursday, by a unanimous vote, decided to report favorably the nomination of Buckley for postmaster at Montgomery, Ala. It is stated that the nomination will be rejected in the senate.

The Brooklyn Sails for West Indies.

The big armored cruiser, Brooklyn, left the navy yard about 8 o'clock Friday morning on her way to begin her cruise of the West Indies. She first goes to Newport News for a supply of coal.

Senator Walthall Very Ill.

Senator Walthall, of Mississippi, is seriously ill in Washington city. Last Thursday he was seized by a chill in the senate and was forced to leave the chamber. He has since been confined to his bed.

HANNA PROSPERITY.

FACTS FROM A WEEK'S NEWSPAPER FILES.

This Is Another Hard Winter—Reductions of Wages Together with Increased Prices for Goods Show That the Trusts Are Supreme.

Do you hear the children weeping, O, my brothers,
Ere the sorrow comes with years?
They are leaning their young heads against their mothers
And that cannot stop their tears.

The lambs are bleating in the meadows;
The birds are chirping in the nest,
The fawns are playing in the shadows,
The flowers are blooming toward the west—

But the young, young children, O, my brothers,
They are weeping bitterly.
They are weeping in the playtime of the others,
In the country of the free.
—Elizabeth Barrett Browning.—

Overseer Schmidt, of Davenport, Ia., had a Christmas celebration for poor children to whom Santa Claus is indeed a myth. He figured on entertaining 200 children, or so; about 600 came, and the result was that hundreds had to go away with practically nothing.

Owing to the increase of child labor in New York state, the percentage of children attending the public schools has fallen from 76.5 of the school population in 1851 to 57.8 in 1891.

The annual death roll in the United States is 800,000 persons, of whom 500,000 are children under 5 years of age, the high death rate among the children being due, physicians say, to lack of proper nourishment, clothing, shelter, etc.

Last year, in New York city alone, nearly 2,000 babies were found in ash-barrels, areaways, vaults, etc.

The wholesale reductions in wages that so startled the mill hands throughout New England last month continue without any abatement. In Maine it is estimated that no less than 20,000 operatives will be affected by the reductions, which in most cases amount to 10 per cent, and in one case affecting 2,000 men near Lewiston, reach 15 per cent. Mr. Dingley, of tariff bill fame, is largely interested in mills in Maine and he is uttering the usual platitude about currency agitation. Throughout Massachusetts the wage reductions are going steadily on and, although the men are very much inclined to protest, they recognize that they have little to do but submit.

The steel trust has advanced the price of steel structural material one dollar a ton. It also reduced wages a month ago 10 per cent. But reductions in wages are usually accompanied by rises in price. Thus the department stores of our large cities are warning their customers that prices are steadily rising and that purchasers ought to hasten to buy now in order to save money. That great and good man, John Wanamaker, continually warns the public, in his flaring advertisements, that the prices of textile goods are on the rise and that they will be on the rise for a good while to come. But, at the same time, we hear of nothing but 10 and 15 per cent reductions in wages in the textile mills of New England. There is a profound inconsistency in this situation. Why should wages go down if the prices of the products of labor are mounting skyward?

The answer to the riddle is that prices are increasing only in those lines of goods the manufacture of which is controlled by trusts, and which the new tariff has given a monopoly of the home market. These same trusts, while raising the price of their goods, can reduce wages because of the great surplus of labor seeking employment. This army of idle men would not exist if farm products were selling at prices to enable the farmers to consume a normal amount of manufactured goods. The single gold standard causes a world-wide reduction in prices of farm products; American farmers are, therefore, compelled to restrict their consumption on manufactured goods; this throws vast numbers of people out of work; but the tariff and trust trick enables the millionaire to actually raise the prices of their products, in the face of the general fall of prices, and at the same time to reduce wages. This is the necessary result of McKinleyism.

A correspondent who has made a personal investigation of the state of the principal industry of Danbury, Conn., the hat trade, finds it greatly misrepresented by a Danbury paper. He says:

"Without attempting more than the briefest notice of these deceptive reports, it will not be difficult to show to the dullest mind that some one has been telling what is not true. For example, we are told that one hatting firm are doing their usual amount of business, but we are NOT told that their shop is only running FOUR days a week, and that the prices paid for labor preclude their help making living wages. Then, according, to the report of this concern, their chief business seems to consist in futures, prospects, speculations and hopes of the highly inflated order.

"Another concern is reported as having duplicate orders, and with prospects all right for a busy winter trade. Yet we are informed that since this report was published the concern has been shut down for THREE WEEKS. One firm report themselves as catering for something, establishing agencies and employing agents, but their help report business at this place as 'duller at the present time than for three or four years past.' Another firm, reported as having a very good season, are at this writing shut down 'as tight as a drum.' Still another concern said to have been busy all the fall and still busy on certain lines, are reported as paying such miserably low prices that their hat-makers cannot get more than SIX dollars a week out of it. Then the working hatters complain that prices have been cut so that it is almost impossible to exist on the wages they receive, and when questioned about the business repeat the stereotyped expression, 'Hatting is no good.' This frequently heard expression accentuates the fact that a large number of working hatters and others are in sore straits."

SAYINGS OF THE WISE.

The time is ripe, and rotten-ripe, for change;
Then let it come; I have no dread of what
Is called for by the instinct of mankind;
Nor think I that God's world will fall apart
Because we tear a parchment more or less.
—James Russell Lowell.

Polluting the flag is a thousand times worse than pulling it down.—Altgeld.

In every country the nation is in the cottage, and if the light of your legislation does not shine in there, your statemanship is a failure and your system is a mistake.—Canon Farrar.

Judges are but men, and in all ages have shown a fair share of frailty. Alas! alas! the worst crimes of history have been perpetrated under their sanction. The blood of martyrs and of patriots, crying from the ground, summons them to judgment.—Charles Sumner.

Man-made statutes are valid only so far as they conform to the law of nature. Equal freedom is impossible if privileges are made legal. Where privilege is, there democracy cannot be. The only mission of democracy is to abolish privilege and restore freedom.—C. J. Buell.

The Irish famine was not a true famine arising from scarcity of food. It was what an English writer styled the Indian famine—a "financial famine," arising not from scarcity of food, but from the poverty of the people.—Henry George.

So long as people refuse to think, so long as they chuckle in selfish glee when they see "the other fellow" burdened the same as themselves, or possibly a little heavier, so long as they do not strive for an understanding of first principles of taxation and good government, just so long do they deserve to suffer under the iron heels of their masters, the politicians.—John W. Ettel.

POEMS FOR THE PEOPLE.

"Oh, Speed the Moment On!"

Woe then to all who grind
Their brethren of a common father down!
To all who plunder from the immortal mind
Its bright and glorious crown.

Feed fat, ye locusts, feed!
And in your tasseled pulpits thank the Lord
That from the toiling bondsman's utter need
Ye pile your own full board.

Their glory and their might shall perish,
And their very name shall be
Vile before all people, in the light
Of a world's liberty.

Oh, speed the moment on
When wrong shall cease, and liberty and love
And truth and right throughout the earth be known
As in their home above.
—John Greenleaf Whittier.

The Heritage of All.

Thus saith the Lord: "You weary Me!
With prayers, and waste your own short years!
Eternal truth you cannot see
Who weep and shed your sight in tears;
In vain you wait and watch the skies—
No better fortune thus will fall!
Upon your knees, I bid you rise,
And claim the earth for all.

"Behold in bonds your mother earth,
The rich man's prostitute and slave;
Your mother earth, that gave you birth,
You only own her for a grave;
And you will die like slaves and see
Your mother left a fettered thrall?
Nay! live like men and set her free
As heritage for all!"
—Gerald Massey.

When the World Grows Fair.

I tell you this for a wonder, that no man shall then be glad
Of his fellow's fall and mishap to snatch at the work he had
Then all mine and all thine shall be ours, and no more shall any man crave
For riches that serve for nothing but to fetter a friend for a slave.
For all these shall be ours and all men's, nor shall any lack a share
Of the toil and the gain of living in the days when the world grows fair.
—William Morris.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

The jury in the Gafford case at Greenville is still hung up, with a probability of a mistrial.

The enrollment of the Girls Industrial School at Montevallo has reached 366.

Little, the banker at Montevallo, is now the editor of the News. Well, well, who ever heard of an editor being a banker, or a banker an editor.

Commissioner Pleas Shaw has purchased the Vandergrift dairy farm near Montevallo, and will show the citizens of Montevallo and Aldrich what he knows about dairy farming.

Republicans of Shelby don't fall into the trap set for you by Vandiver and Hardy. Lay aside your work for a little while Wednesday morning and be on hand precisely at 9 oclock, and snow under again the gang that are trying to sell you out.

We have been shown a circular sent out through the mails by Mr. J. L. Vandiver, chairman of the Republican county committee, calling a county convention to meet at Calera on the 7th day of March. The circular like some other papers issued by Mr. Vandiver lately, shows the fine Italian hand of an ex-boss in Shelby. The Advocate would like to know where Mr. Vandiver gets his authority to dictate to the Republicans in the different beats in Shelby, as to how and when they shall elect delegates to the county convention. They must "meet in their beats at 9 o'clock sharp on Wednesday, February 16, 1898, and there hold a beat meeting for the election of delegates to the county convention." It is a wonder he didn't tell them who they must vote for as delegates. The democrats in their palmiest days never dreamed of dictating to the voters of a beat, as to how and when they should hold their beat meetings. But Mr. Vandiver and his half dozen kickers are in a strait. They have called two unnecessary conferences with the hope of getting up some division in the party. In both conferences they failed utterly. Now the only hope is to require each beat to meet "at 9 o'clock sharp" and at that hour three or four kickers can meet in some back room and appoint each other as delegates. We have no patience with a chairman who will lend himself to such schemers

REPUBLICANS AT CALERA.

The republicans of Shelby responded to a (uncalled) called meeting of Chairman Vandiver, of Vincent. It was quite an enthusiastic meeting. The calling of the meeting was of democratic origin, as we look at it. Nothing of importance was done, except to adopt a resolution of G. T. Jackson setting forth the duties and obligations started by Mr. J. D. Hardy and three Negroes. The movement was shot and killed dead by the true republicans there assembled.

This new movement referred to provided that the republicans co-operate with the populists be designating what offices the populists must have, and we (the republicans) all the others, or of beats preparatory to the county convention.

There was a democratic movement, otherwise the republicans will run a straight county ticket. To co-operate means success to the party O. K., but to say we will give the populists certain official places to fill and we the balance, and if they do not comply, that we will put out a straight republican ticket, means death to the republican and populist parties and life to the democratic party. Those Negroes who are advocating these movements, and upon whom our eyes are fixed, will be shown up through the columns of this paper. One lives at Calera.—Alabama Time-Piece, Aldrich, Alabama.

At the last meeting of the state executive committee of the people's party of Alabama, the sense of the committee favored independent and separate action by our party in the state campaign. But the counties were left free to act as might be deemed best to encompass the defeat of democracy for county officers. As county control of elections in the hands of the democratic party means the certainty of frauds at the ballot box, above all things to prevent that control it is most exacting of all to labor and make any reasonable sacrifice to accomplish. The criticism of certain county leaders, by certain populist papers, for pursuing this course is not well timed or proper. If populists have no other purpose in Alabama, except to keep exactly and strictly on their line, when it means democratic success, they may as well get a banner and inscribe on it "populism forever," take the middle of the road and run themselves to death. It will count as much in results. There are thirty counties in the state that can be taken from the democrats, and be placed in a control by which honest elections may be assured. It is the duty of populists to do this, if possible. By such course, the honesty of elections for four years will be secured, and within that time our principles will triumph. With the control of elections of every county in Alabama in the hands of democrats, they might be defeated by 100,000 majority and still triumph. That party has scored a victory in the state when it was honestly defeated by over 20,000 votes. Prepare to make your vote count. Your principles amount to nothing while you cannot make them effective at the ballot box.—Alabama Monitor.

By far the most important steps ever taken for Montevallo, is the movement to get the Louisville and Nashville railroad to extend its Mineral branch from Calera on to Montevallo and tap the Montevallo coal mines at Aldrich and the Montevallo Lump Coal Company's mines at Dogwood, and on to the coal fields beyond. This extension has been talked of for some time, but the matter is now taking definite form and bids are being made to induce the Louisville and Nashville to come in. This means much to Montevallo and the adjacent country, and especially the two mines that it will tap.—Montevallo News.

The Tax Reform Association, of New York, is a daisy in its way. It wants all taxes on capital other than land—movable capital—abolished, because it "drives capital away." If one place taxes it and other does not, it will, of course, seek the place which does not tax. But why should it escape taxation? There is more need for a police force to protect this kind of property than land. Then why should it be freed from taxation? Simply to satisfy its inordinate greed.—Ex.

MR. VANDIVER EXPLAINS.

Vandiver, Ala., Feb. 7.—Editor Advocate.—Please allow me to correct a wrong statement made in last issue of your valuable paper. You charged Col. J. D. Hardy as saying at Calera on the 29th of January that he, J. D. Hardy, advocated a strait out and Republican ticket in Shelby county this year. That was not his language. Here was his language, I favor a co-operation ticket upon the basis adopted in the resolution adopted at Columbiana, and we will have that or we will have a strait out and out ticket. Thousand of other Republicans say the same thing, but we are willing to come up to the very letter of that resolution and we won't work any other way.

And again, a little correction in the setting of the language of Dr. R. A. Moseley. Dr. Moseley said he favored co-operation in the counties, but a strait Republican ticket for the State. Thousands of men in this State say the same.

Hoping that you will take pleasure in correcting these mistakes, as such things do often occur, and in justice to your paper, and others who may be concerned, will take great pleasure in reading this correction.

Everything is working well in North Shelby.

J. L. VANDIVER.

REMARKS—We publish the above as a matter of countecy to Chairman Vandiver. The report as written by the Secretary, said Mr. Hardy made a speech advocating a everybody construed that to mean in the county. Again, if Mr. Hardy was in favor of co-operation in strait Republican ticket. Of course the county "upon the basis adopted in the resolution adopted at Columbiana" why did he vote against the resolution to that effect offered by G. T. Jackson? And why did he denounce the populists? We are inclined to the opinion that the explanation of Mr. Vandiver will not satisfy the Republicans of Shelby, and they will continue to think that Mr Hardy has "hoo dood" the Chairman and caused him to jump out of the Republican fold into a pen with the goats.

"In the beginning God created the Heavens and earth. Then he made the editor liberal advertiser and the prompt paying subscribers, and it was good. The next day a blizzard set in, and he created the man who wouldn't believe in advertising; annother who didn't take his home paper; then he rested. The devil then got into the moulding room, and he created the fellow who takes the paper for years and then fails to pay for it. The devil then rested but the editor hasn't had any rest since.—Fitzgerald Leader.

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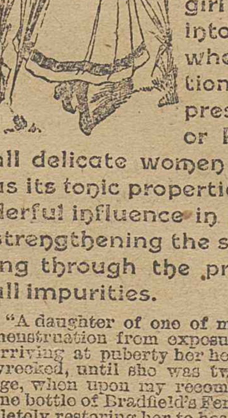

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In sending the foregoing to the Chicago Tribune, a correspondent remarks that it is "a well-known treatment of Mr. Charles Rose, of Dorking, England.—Charlotte Observer.

Which Is the Soundest Business Proposition?

If the American people would only reflect upon the outrageous and audacious demands of the banking clique, they would at once see the danger which surrounds the finances of the country. These bankers are bitterly opposed to paternalism, yet they boldly demand that the goverment gives them, without cost, a thousand millions to carry on their business. When the farmers suggested that the government loan money on their land at 2 per cent. They were called hayseeds and jays by the hireling gold press. The last demand of the bankers is called a "sound business proposition." Will some one tell us why the farmers' suggestion is not a better 'sound business proposition?'—Silver Knight-Watchman.

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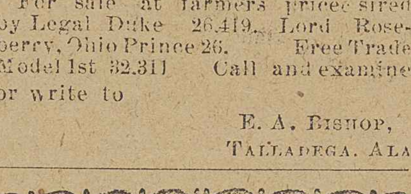

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 7th day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The north east quarter of the north east quarter of section 23, and the south half of the south half of the south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, except the following portions of said land heretofore sold off by John S. Storrs, to the parties named, and the rights-of-way of said parties of ingress and egress from their lots over said land to the public road, or any streets that may be opened most convenient to the same, to-wit: Alex Howel, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degress, west 30 feet, thence 3 degress, 30 west, 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degress west, 141 feet to a place of beginning; thence south 63 degress, west 150 feet to a point; thence north 40 degrees west, 290 feet, 6inches to a point; thence north 63 degrees, east 150 feet to point, thence south 40 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to point of beginning, containing one (1) acre more or less, being the lands upon which the residence of said Alex Harvel is located. Smith Peoples, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degrees west 30 feet; thence north 3 degrees "30," west 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degrees, west 141 feet to a place of beginning: thence north 60 degrees, east 150 feet to point; thence north 40 degrees, west 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence south 60 degrees, west 150 feet to point; thence south 40 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to place of beginning, containing one acre more or less, being land upon which said Smith Peoples residence is located. Fuston McGhee and Joe Beasley: Commencing at the south east corner of north east quarter of north east quarter of north east quarter of section 23, township 22, range 1 west, run westerly 5 degrees, south 225 feet to point of beginning; thence north 578 feet 3 inches to point; thence west parallel with section line 208 feet 3 inches; thence south 273 feet 3 inches, thence easterly 208 feet 3 inches to point of beginning; said land embracing the residence of Joe Beasley and Fuston McGhee and containing about two and one-half acres. P. B. Harrell: from the north east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 220 yards; thence west 85 yards to point of beginning; from this point run south 191 feet 5 inches; thence west 12 degrees, north 245 feet 4 inches, thence north 116 feet 9 inches; thence east 225 feet to point of beginning, containing 3,850 square yards more or less, also commencing at north west corner of above described land conveyed to Howell, run westerly 110 yards to point of beginning; thence westerly 202 degrees 5," thence back to point of beginning; thence south 118 feet 9 inches; [illegible]

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All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of Shelby Land Company, to satisfy said Fi. Fas. in my hand in favor of Browne & Leeper and John S. Storrs.

This 31st day of January, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 21st day of February, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One third undivided interest in south half of north east quarter sec. 36, tp. 21 range 4 west, and entire interest in west half of south west quarter sec. 13, and west half of north west quarter and north east quarter of south west quarter sec. 12, also the following land commencing at a point where the south boundry line of north west quarter of sec. 12, tp. 21 range 3 west, crosses South & North railroad, thence running 500 feet, thence north 1005 feet, to a point 210 feet from railroad right-of-way, thence east 210 feet to said right-of-way, thence 1005 feet along said right-of-way to point of beginning, and the south east quarter of south east quarter of sec. 11. One third undivided interest in north west quarter of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, north east quarter of north east quarter of sec. 1, tp. 22 range 4 west, and entire interest in house and lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, known as lot No. 455, according to Davis Plot, of said town lots of land in said town heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of Mrs. Annie E. Vaughn, one half interest in lots 1-2-3 and 4 in the town of Calera, Alabama, being the property heretofore purchased by W. E Brinkerhoff of W. D. Huggins, and the third interest in north west quarter of north east quarter, and east half of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, and entire interest in one lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore known as the Mostello Saloon lot, and which was heretofore purchased of J. C. Adler by W. E. Brinkerhoff, also lot No. 465 in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore purchased of Mathes & Co., by W. E. Brinkerhoff, and machinery in lease described in book of deeds 20, and now in possession of T. R. Wagner.

All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of W. E. Brinkerhoff, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of Lubralim Oil Company and J. L. Dit Foundry Company.

This 20 day of January, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

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5.11pm	Montevallo	9.25am
7.5 pm ar	Birmingham lv	6.45am

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Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and as it appears that the said John Jones, Emeline Searight and Mariah Sanders reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weeks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. McMILLAN, Judge of Probate.

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Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

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See Sheriff's sale in another column.

W. B. Browne spent Saturday in Talladega.

50 mackerel for one dollar at J. H. Hammond's.

Quite a number of drummers in town this week.

Big bottle snuff for 10 cents at J. H. Hammond's.

T. F. Farrell spent Sunday with friends at Saginaw.

J. H. Vandiver, of Clanton, was in the city Monday.

H. C. Hinton, of Elliottsville, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. F. W. Gist visited relatives in Calera last Friday.

Go to hear the blind boys at the Court House to-night.

E. S. Lyman, Esq., of Montevallo, was in the city Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. T. S. Sheffel, of Shelby, spent Monday in the city.

Heinz's Best Krout and bulk pickles, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

John Hall, of Wilsonville, transacted business in our city Monday.

J. H. Robertson spent Monday and Tuesday on his farm near Wilsonville.

Miss Jessie Carter, of Shelby, spent yesterday in the city with relatives.

Flour is down, go to J. H. Hammond's and find out how much.

R. J. Griffin, of Cedar Grove, was in the city Monday and Tuesday on business.

Miss Alma Duran, who has been visiting relatives in Calera, returned home Monday.

Judge McMillan gave an oyster supper to his Sunday school class last Friday night.

I sell Heinz's pure apple vinegar and give you a jug to put it in.
J. H. Hammond.

Rev. J. W. O'Hara, of East Lake, was in the city a short while last Saturday morning.

Tobacco at 25 cents per pound by the caddy at
J. H. Hammond.

Cotton still continues to come in to town. The question is where does it come from?

Do you want a good home, convenient to a good free school? If so, call at this office.

Onion sets by the quart, gallon or bushel, cheaper than the cheapest, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Beavers visited relatives at Harpersville and Vincent this week.

Mrs. D. B. McMath and son Burrell, of Montevallo, spent a short while in the city Monday.

The Columbiana Mercantile company will pay from 8 to 13 cents for dry hides.

Mrs. T. J. Weaver returned last Saturday from a visit to relatives in Jacksonville and Anniston.

More tobacco for 10 cents sold here than anywhere else.
J. H. Hammond.

Miss Belle Huyett spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister Miss Kate, who is teaching school at Siluria.

Miss Jessie McGee, who has been visiting relatives in our city, returned to her home in Stanton last Saturday.

A large congregation attended the funeral services of Mrs. H. H. Smith at the Presbyterian church last Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Wilson and Miss Annie Kenedy, of Montevallo, spent Sunday in the city with relatives and friends.

How is this for high? A 10 pound caddy of tobacco for $2.30.
J. H. Hammond.

W. J. Horsley, who has been teaching school at the McGowan school house, left yesterday for Nashville, where he goes to take a course in Draughan's Business college.

For the next 20 days I will sell 2 packages of garden seed for 5 cents, and 10 cent packages for 5 cents. These seed are fresh and genuine.
J. H. Hammond.

Oyster Supper.

The ladies of the Baptist church will give an oyster supper on Friday afternoon, the 18th inst., at the residence of Mr. Levi Longshore, for the benefit of the Baptist church.

Church Entertainment.

The Ladies Parsonage Society of the M. E. Church South at Wilsonville, will give an entertainment on next Friday night, at which oysters will be served in all styles. Also, sandwiches and meats of different kinds. Music by Darling Bro's Band. Everybody cordially invited to attend.

A. M. Carter Killed.

Last Thursday afternoon Mr. Arch Carter was shot and killed at Shelby by George Storrs, colored. Mr. Carter was foreman of the ore bed and Storrs was a hand working under him. Our information is that Mr. Carter had occasion to reprove Storrs about his work. Storrs left the pit, went off and armed himself, came back and deliberately shot Mr. Carter down, and shooting him twice after he had fallen. Storrs then turned and walked off and is still at large. Mr. Carter was a prominent citizen of Shelby and was greatly respected by everybody who knew him. This is the second man killed by Storrs, and if captured he will be in danger of being tried by Judge Lynch.

Death of Mrs. Smith.

At 8 a. m. last Friday, Mrs. H. H. Smith, widow of the late Rev. H. A. Smith, quietly breathed her last, at the family homestead in this city, aged about 86 years About a month ago Mrs. Smith was stricken with paralysis, and since that time had been confined to her bed. All through her illness she was perfectly conscious up to a short time before her death. It is needless to say that she was prepared for the summons when it came. Her daughter, Miss Lucy, who was teaching school at Maylene, hurried to her bedside when first taken and was with her during her entire illness The funeral services were held at the Presbyterian church Sunday at 11 a. m., Rev. W. I. Sinnott officiating, after which her body was quietly laid to rest in the cemetery beside her husband who had preceded her.

The Cow Case.

Last week Walter Adams, son of J. P. Adams, started through the country to Fort Payne with a lot of cattle belonging to his father, who had recently moved to Fort Payne. Soon after Walter left with the cattle Mr. H. S. Nelson, swore out a warrant against him, charging him with larceny of a cow. The paper was placed in the hands of the sheriff and Mr. Adams was arrested at Vincent, 22 miles above here, and he and the cow brought back to this place. At a trial before Justice B. L. Moore, on Monday, quite an array of witnesses were examined. Quite a number swore that the cow was the property of Adrms, that they had known it from a calf, etc. Others swore that the cow waf raised by W. W. Walls, and by him sold to Nelson.

The Justice, after hearing the evidence discharged the defendant, but the end of the cow case is not yet.

The Darling Brothers will give a free concert at the Court House tonight. These young men are blind, were educated at the Institute for the Blind at Talladega, and we can safely promise all lovers of music who may attend, a rich treat.

Our genial young friend W. J. Bird, who is teaching school at Ida, Talladaga, county, came over and spent Saturday with home folks in the city.

Prof. H. K. W. Smith, of Union Springs, was called to the city to attend the funeral of his mother, Mrs. H. H. Smith.

Mrs. Collins, who has been visiting the family of W. B. Browne, left Saturday for a visit to relatives in Talladaga.

Gordon DuBose, our banker, left Monday for New York, to be absent a week or ten days.

Jim Adams, of Fort Payne, was on a visit here the forepart of this week.

Dr. T. G. Nelson, of Harpersville, was in the city Monday.

VENIRE FOR JURORS

February Term of County Court.

Charley Albright, Y G Gaddy, G B McLaughlin, W D Shirley, Rufus F Hale, L J Jones, Wm M Robertson, W J Falkner, J R Holmes, I C Treadwell, Wm Baine, John Hartsfield, T A Joiner, B B Moore, E H Farr, Dixon McLendon, J M Vick, E DeRamus, H J Gould, E W Attaway, H M Merrell, J M Duke, C A Horton, J L Foster.

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Columbiana Public School for Month Ending Feb. 4.

First Grade—Alfred Strickland,

Second Grade—Annie Mae Rowe,

Third Grade—Nena Millstead, Willie Chapman.

Fourth Grade—Annie Longshore, Edna Hallmark, Annie Porter, William Nelson, John Strickland.

Sixth Grade—Georgia Thomas, Myrtle Thompson, Carrie Rowe, Minnie McGibony, Allie Nelson, Lallage Longshore, Mary Finley, Bernard Finley, Pierce Mason, Oza Hammond, Belle Cromwell.

Eight Grade—John Mooney, Walter O'Hara, Will Weaver, Isaac Wood.

T. Mynatt, Prin.

What Shall We Plant?

Our Bridgeton correspondent this week gives some very sensible reasons why the farmers are compelled to plant cotton. Every editor in the state feels perfectly competent to advise farmers what it is to their interest to plant and not to plant. There is no disguising the fact that the question is a very serious one to the farmers, and none know it better than they who are most interested. But, unfortunately, they are not in condition always to use their best judgment. All or nearly all of them have obligations to meet in the fall, and the only chance to meet them is with cotton, it being our only market crop. Where the farmer has no obligations to meet in the fall, and can hold his products for a market, he is not apt to plant much cotton.

Cotton is the money crop of the South, and the farmer who has to raise money to meet obligations for advances, must have cotton to do it. It occurs to us that the only solution of the whole matter is for the farmers to raise everything they need at home, and after that is done let their surplus or money crop be cotton.

The Coming Woman.

Who goes to the club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good old-fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for these women is Electric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women. Female complaints and Nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only 50 cents per bottle. For sale by
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on the Mountain, with 22 acres of land attached. The house cost five times the amount asked for the place.
Call at The Advocate Office
for further particulars.

Lewis Blows.

Health of the community not good. There is a great deal of sickness in our neighborhood.

Miss Ida Farr is seriously ill at this writing, but we hope we will soon be able to state her recovery.

Mrs. M. C. Powell has been very sick but is some better now. We hope for her an early recovery.

G. B. Riddle and J. W. Powell attended church at the Kingdom Sunday and reported a grand and lovely time.

E. S. Kytle, of Jackson's mill, was among his many friends here Sunday. Come again. Spur, you are a welcome visitor.

Prof. S. S. Crumpton and Mr. W. E. Riddle attended divine services at Mt. Olive Saturday and Sunday.

Everybody remember the Teachers' Institute to be held at Fourmile on the 11th and 12th of February. Everybody is cordially invited, and your presence will be greatly appreciated.

J. W. Russell, of Clay county, was in our community a few days ago taking pictures. Joe is a good photographer, and if you want good work done call on him.

Mr. W. Y. Baker has moved from our neighborhood to Yellow Leaf to what is known as the Green Self farm. We wish him grand success in his new home.

Mr. Willie Bradley, of Bessemer, is visiting his father's family, Mr. S. B. Bradley.

Sager has been looking over the different names announced for the different offices, and I would be glad to see Hon. T. A. Huston announce himself for circuit clerk, for he is fully competent to fill that office, and if he will announce himself we think that Beat 9 will go solid for him
Sager.

Quito Dots.

Local items scarce in and around Quito.

Health of the community very good.

W. M. Allen paid Columbiana a business trip this week.

John Johnson and family visited relatives at Shelby last week.

Messrs. Jim Allen, Jr., and Tom Nash and Miss Kate Allen, are attending the Pelham High School this term.

Mr. L. Maske paid Birmingham a flying trip this week.

Miss Francis Johnson is visiting her sister at Shelby this week.

J. M. Allen, Esq., paid Pelham a visit this week.

A. S. Johnson, one of our young men who is off with a bridge crew, visited home folks last week.

The people of beat 12 was glad to see Hon. A. P. Longshore out as a candidate for Probate Judge.
Tempest.

Farmer Points

Health of our community is not so good now as it has been. Most every one has colds from the cold weather we have been having for the past week. It has been more like winter than any of the past this fall.

We learn that Mrs. J. M. Partridge is still lingering on the sick list.

Mrs. G. F. McGiboney has been quite sick this week.

On last Tuesday evening Mr. Hugh Merrell's little son, Willie, fell in the fire and was burned very bad.

G. F. McGiboney was called last Saturday to the bedside of his father, who has been very ill for some time.

We learn that two or three months ago there was an old gentleman living just across the river who was bitten by a dog, supposed to have hydrophobia, He has been deranged for several days and died last Sunday.

The young people of this community report having a nice time at the ball given them by Mr. Sam Merrell last Monday night.

The murder of Mr. Archie Carter was real shocking to all of his friends. We hope to hear soon that his assassin has been captured. The bereaved family have our greatest sympathy.
Rope.

No Cure--No Pay.

That is the way Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil is sold for Barbed Wire Cuts, Burns, Scratches, Cracked Heel, Saddle Galls, Old Sores and all kinds of inflamations on man or beast. Price 25 cents. For sale by.
HALL DRUG CO.
July 21, 1y.

Saginaw Dots.

John Naish who fell and hurt himself, is improving slowly.

Ed. Harkins, of Bessemer, visited friends in this commuity Sunday.

John Hale, of Columbiana, come to see his girl Wednesday.

Ed. Piper transacted business at Shelby Saturday, and visited relatives at Columbiana Sunday.

Mr. Harless transacted business at Anniston Saturday.

Mr. Dock Elliott and Mrs. Georgia Elliott visited relatives at Dogwood Sunday.

Mr. Greer, a machinest, who is employed to Saginaw Lumber company, visited home folks at Birmingham Sunday.

I will inform John Garrett that Miss Mary has caught up with her sleep. You must try it again John.
Proditor.

Bridgeton Klondikes.

Rev. J. S. DeLoach preached at this place last Sunday. Mr. DeLoach was the former pastor of Bold Spring church, having been succeeded by Rev. T. B. Nations.

Miss Mary Byars has a music class here, and also one at Cahaba.

Miss Carrie Holcomb is staying at R. T. Cox, taking music lessons.

Mrs. S. D. Cox has been quite sick, and also Mrs. A. J. DeShazo and Mrs. M. M. Attaway.

The Advocate seems to think the writer was touched in a very "sensative" spot by its reference to the announcement of Mr. Pearson. Now, we did not loose any sleep over the matter, and it can be seen from a careful perusal of our article that we merely wished to inquire why Mr. Johnson's announcement did not deserve to be mentioned as one of the first political guns. The two announcements appeared in the same issue of the paper.

More announcements follow, and there are yet more to come. The average populist is a little sensitive about how the announcements read, too.

The Advocate, in commenting on a clipping from an exchange says, "that we make too much cotton, unless we could get a better price for it." Does it mean that there is so much cotton produced that it is making the farmer poor at the present price? We believe that it is, to a certain extent, to the interest of every farmer, who can do so, to turn his attention to something else for money and raise less cotton. But so many farmers have obligations to meet in the fall, that they are compelled to raise cotton, which is the only crop that can be readily turned into money. If the farmer is not in debt, he must have some money with which to buy supplies for the winter. The cotton crop brings about the same amount of money from year to year. If production is reduced, will the farmer have any more money after selling his cotton? If not, where is he benefited? Of course it will cost less to produce a small crop than to produce a large one. Then does the advantage lay in the difference in the cost of production? How can there be an overproduction, while so many thousands of poorly clothed, but intelligent men are tramping today in search of work, which can not be found—while so many little children with bright eyes and fair skin are suffering for want of sufficlothing to protect them from th cold chilly winds.
Agricola.

No cure—No pay.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's tasteless chill tonic for malaria, chill and fever. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by
Hall Drug Co.
July 15, 1y.

Mardi Gras, Birmingham, Ala., February 22nd 1898. Reduced Rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the Mardi Gras carnival at Birmingham, Ala., February 22nd, 1898, the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its lines to Birmingham, at rate of one fare for the round-trip.

Tickets will be sold February 16th to 21st inclusive, limited to return to March 5th 1898.

Call on any agent of the Southern Railway for further information.

NOTICE!

We are now prepared to extend to the People of this Community any line of Credit they may desire, in Merchandise or Cash, from Fifty Dollars and up. No cash loans or agreement for Merchandise will be made less than Fifty Dollars to any party, and same must be secured by mortgage or note. No open accounts will be carried under any circumstances.

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Our buyer, Sam Lefkovits, will leave for Baltimore and New York on the 15th of February, to purchase an entire line of Spring and Summer Goods. So you may look out for Bargains, and if we can serve any of our customers with Special Orders, we will be glad to receive them at our store for the next 30 days.

RESPECTFULLY,
COLUMBIANA:-:MERCANTILE:-:COMPANY.
Columbiana, Alabama.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

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Prescription Department.

Our prescription department is also complete with a Full Line of High Grade Fluid Extracts, Tinctures, etc. Prescriptions carefully compounded from the Purest of Drugs.

We earnestly solicit your patronage, and will always save you some money when possible to do so.

RESPECTFULLY,
Hall Drug Company,
Columbiana, Ala.

Mardi Gras, New Orleans and Mobile, Feb. 22nd, 1898. Reduced Rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the Mardi Gras Carnival at New Orleans and Mobile, February 22nd, 1898. the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its line to these points at rate of One Fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold February 16th to 21st inclusive, limited to return to March 5th 1898.

Call on any agent of the Southern Railway for further information.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The undersigned having been restored to health by simple means, after suffering for several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease CONSUMPTION, is anxious ot make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To those who desire it, he will cheerfully send (free of charge) a copy of the prescription used which they will find a sure cure for CONSUMPTION, ASTHMA, CATARRH, BRONCHITIS, and all throat and lung MALADIES. He hopes all sufferers will try his remedy, as it is valuable. Those desiring the prescription, wich will cost them nothing, and may prove a blessing, will please address.
REV. EDWARD A. WILSON,
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If you owe the Advocate anything, please come forward and settle at once.

We Employ Young Men to distribute our advertisements in part payment for a high grade Acme bicycle, which we send them on approval. No work done until the bicycle arrives and proves satisfactory.

Young Ladies employed on the same terms.

If boys or girls apply they must be well recommended. Write for particulars.

ACME CYCLE COMPANY,
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DR. W. A. LOVETT, DENTIST.

IS NOW PERMANENTLY LOCATED IN COLUMBIANA.
Office, Room 2 Central Hotel (First floor front.)

Prices as low as is consistent with good work. Satisfaction guaranteed. Patronage from neighboring towns and country olicited.
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Notice No. 19518.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery. Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Ruben Gilliam, Homestead entry No. 25,745, for the NW¼ of NE¼, NE¼ of NW¼, sec. 34, tp. 19 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Quito, Ala., John W. Walker, Highland, Ala., Andrew N. Wilson, Highland, Ala., Rufus M. Acton, Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19519.

Notice for Publication.

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Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1893, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Homestead entry No. 25,748, for the NE¼ of SW¼, sec. 6, tp. 20 south of range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ruben T. Gilliam, Quito, Ala., Paul Nabors, William Payne, Henry C. Tahl, all of Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Electricity in America.

According to statistics the number of yearly telephonic conversations in the United States is 75,000,000; of telegraphic messages, 65,000,000; of arc lights, 1,000,000; of incandescent lights, 15,000,000. There are several hundred thousand electric motors and 1.000 electric railways. It is estimated that to 2,500,000 persons in this country electricity contributes a means of livelihood.

When a woman flies into a passion it's time for her to have her wings clipped.

Beneath His Station.

Sprockett—I was sorry not to keep my appointment with you, but, you see, my wheel broke down.

Hudson—Why didn't you come in on the train?"

Sprockett—Heavens! And ride with those miserable nonbikers? Never!—North American.

When you see a young man cleaning a girl's bicycle they are engaged; when you see the operation reversed they are married.

A doctor may spend money like water but he doesn't get it from the well.

Swearing Won't Help It.

Swearing may make a fire burn or it may make a deck hand hustle, but it won't help Tetter or Ringworm. If you use Tetterine it will make you comfortable and save swear words. 50 cents at drug stores, or by mail for 60 cents in stamps from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY. }

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. (SEAL) A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

No Klondike for Me!

Thus says E. Walters, Le Raysville, Pa., who grew (sworn to) 252 bushels Salzer's corn per acre. That means 25 200 bushels on 100 acres at 30c a bushel equals $7,560. That is better than a prospective gold mine. Salzer pays $400 in gold for best name for his 17-inch corn and oats prodigy. You can win. Seed potatoes $1.50 a Bbl.

SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10 CTS. IN STAMPS to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and get free their seed catalogue, and 11 farm seed samples, including above corn and oats, surely worth $10, to get a start. A. C. 9

A wealthy merchant of Mexico says that the linen industry of that country now surpasses that of Ireland in its palmiest days.

Use "C C C" Certain Chill Cure. Best in the world. CERTAIN CURE CO., Evansville, Ind.

The presbytery in Philadelphia received $6,000 from John H. Converse, of that city, for use in city missions.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Dining cars have not yet appeared in Russia. Express trains stop about once in three hours to let passengers refresh themselves, the stations being built about seventy five miles apart.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

The Rev. A. A. Green, a London rabbi, says that Dickens wrote to his father that he deeply regretted his characterization of Fagin.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R.H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

After physicians had given me up, I was saved by Piso's Cure.—RALPH ERIEG, Williamsport, Pa., Nov. 22, 1893.

Weak Stomach

Indigestion Causes Spasms—Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures.

"I have always been troubled with a weak stomach and had spasms caused by indigestion. I have taken several bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and have not been bothered with spasms, and I advise anyone troubled with dyspepsia to take Hood's Sarsaparilla." MRS. HORTON, Prattsburg, New York. Remember

Hood's Sarsaparilla Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier

Hood's Pills cure nausea, indigestion. 25c.

NOTICE.

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DR. SIMMONS' SQUAW VINE WINE COMPOUND.

WILL BE FOUND ESPECIALLY BENEFICIAL TO THOSE EXPECTING TO BECOME MOTHERS.

IT PURIFIES THE BLOOD, TONES UP THE NERVOUS SYSTEM GIVING COURAGE FOR THE ORDEAL TO SHRINKING MOTHERS.

IT SETTLES THE STOMACH LARGELY OVERCOMING THAT NAUSEA WHICH MAKES LIFE A BURDEN TO MANY PROSPECTIVE MOTHERS.

IT ASSISTS NATURE IN SOFTENING, RELAXING AND EXPANDING THE MUSCLES AND LIGAMENTS INVOLVED, THEREBY DECREASES LABOR PAINS AND SHORTENS LABOR. RAPID, SAFE AND COMPARATIVELY PAINLESS DELIVERY USUALLY RESULTING FROM ITS CONTINUED USE.

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IT IS DELIGHTFUL TO TAKE, ENTIRELY HARMLESS, FREE FROM NARCOTICS, PURELY VEGETABLE, PRODUCES NO UNPLEASANT AFTER RESULTS.

IT IS PRESCRIBED BY MANY EMINENT PHYSICIANS, TO ALL OF WHOM WE CHEERFULLY FURNISH OUR FORMULA, KNOWING THAT WELL INFORMED PHYSICIANS WILL READILY PRESCRIBE IT AND CERTIFY TO ITS SUPERIOR MERIT.

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PRICE ONE DOLLAR.

We want a hustling agent in every county to sell our latest improved Plows. All kinds direct from the factory to the farmer. Work right around your home. BABY CULTIVATOR COMPANY, Birmingham, Ala.

PISO'S CURE FOR CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION 25 CTS.

NEWS FOR THE FAIR SEX.

ITEMS OF INTEREST ON NUMEROUS FEMININE TOPICS.

Plaid Traveling Bags---Newest Coiffure Idea ---Dressing in Paris---Practical Missionary Work---Etc., Etc.

DRESSING SACQUE.

Pale pink cashmere was chosen for this useful and becoming sacque, the simple decoration being ruffles of the same and a semi-girdle of satin rbibon tied in a bow with ends confining the fulness at the waist line. The adjustment is so extremely simple that the garment can be readily made by the home dressmaker (a feature that recommends it). The French back is fitted by means of a curve center seam and shows rippling fulness below the waist

line. Smooth under-arm gores separate the backs from the loose-fitting fronts. Gathers at the neck edges adjust the pretty and becoming fulness at each side of the center front, where the closing is effected with buttons and button holes. The neck is completed by a neat rolling collar. The sleeves are cut with upper and under portions and fit the arm comfortably close from the wrist to the elbow, where a slight fulness appears.

Outing and French flannel, cashmere, Henrietta and all pretty wool fabrics will develop daintily by the simple mode, with embroidery, lace, insertion or ribbon employed as garniture. China, India and surah silk make dressy little negligees of this description, with a simple finish of feather stitching decorating the free edges.

It will require five and one-fourth yards of twenty-two-inch goods to make the sacque for a lady in the medium size.

MISSES' WAIST.

This charming waist for a young miss is successfully carried out in washable fabrics, daintily decorated with bands of insertion and embroidery. A well-fitted body lining forms the foundation proper, over which the material arranged smoothly over the upper portion of the front in plastron effect. On each side of which the contrasting material of narrow striped dimity is collected in gathers, headed

with a standing frill of embroidery. The back has a scant fulness at the waist line, and the garment closes in the center back with buttons and button-holes. The center front has a wide center backband of insertion, and similar bands are applied to the yoke, sleeves, belt and collar band, which is close and high, with a narrow outstanding ruffle above, and are close fitting, with a deep frill of embroidery above. The mode is adapted to all seasonable fabrics, embracing silks, novelties, grenadiens, bareges, etc., affording rare opportunities for unique combinations. Quantity of material required, 44 inches wide, for 12 years, 2 yards.

PRACTICAL MISSIONARY WORK.

Five hundred invitations were sent out for a novel reception by the Wisconsin Audubon Society a while ago. One of the directors lent a large, handsome house, and six milliners were invited to send hats showing no egrets or birds. Ostrich plumes, quills and cocks' tails were admitted. Twenty-five other milliners applied for space, "everybody" in the city went, and a great many hats were sold. The affair was, of course, described in the newspapers, and people who had never before heard of the Audubon Society became interested in its object. The Milwaukee milliners, too, came into a "realizing sense" of the fact that the "best" people are really down on wearing birds. They are practical, as well as sentimental, in the West, when they take hold of a new idea.—Boston Transcript.

STYLES FOR EVENING WEAR.

The evening bodice has come to be almost a work of art, so elaborately is it trimmed with lace, chiffon or net, which are many times traced in pretty designs with fine jet. While the medium-bloused bodice, of course, has the lead, there are many waists in draped effects that are more becoming and consequently more suitable to the figure of stout proportions. Round waists are used entirely for evening wear, with either girdles, fancy or crushed belts for the lower finish.

The new evening sleeve is a pretty dainty affair of tiny ruffles or a small puff, with two very narrow ones below, banded close to the arm with velvet or satin ribbon tied in little bows on the top. Where short sleeves are not preferred, the long, transparent mosquetaire sleeve is still quite popular.—Woman's Home Journal.

DRESSING IN PAIRS.

Dressing in pairs is the latest Parisian fad, which found its first expression in America at the late Horse Show. A commendable fad? That is another question. A fad is merely the visible expression of some individual caprice, seldom artistic, and never logical. Women who attempt to carry out this ultra-Quixotic idea have their costumes identical, from the tip of the hat feather to the rounded toe of the boot. The hair must be dressed the same, the lorgnettes of an exact pattern, the bunches of violets must match in size and hue, and the same pose, expression and accent are sought after. The effect is striking to the beholder, but monotonous to the wearers.—Demorest's Magazine.

NEWEST COIFFURE IDEA.

Fashion has decreed that not even the suspicion of a coil may appear beneath the hat. Some of the smartest women are returning to the mode of ten seasons ago, and twisting the hair back into a roll, coiling it on the top of the head. This is for wear in the daytime. For the evenings the coiffure may be as elaborate as one pleases, and dressed high or low to suit one's fancy and the shape of one's head. Despite all that has been said to the contrary the hair is as much waved as ever, the only difference being that the large wave is no longer considered good form, a smaller and much neater one having taken its place.

MILK OF ALMONDS.

Scald six ounces of Jordan almonds and an ounce of bitter almonds in cold water for several hours; then pound them thoroughly into a pulp with half a gill of orange flower water and put this into an earthen pan with eight ounces of the finest loaf sugar and three pints of spring water; stir well together, cover the pan and at the end of an hour strain through a clear sieve. The pan must be kept on the ice. Iced water is added for use.

PLAID TRAVELING BAGS.

The latest notion in a traveling bag is one of the dashing Scotch plaid. Any plaid that is brilliant and is made up of a lot of colors is called Scotch. These bags are made up exactly like the small leather ones, and are mounted with leather.

FASHION NOTES.

Black net gowns elaborately trimmed with jet and made over white or black silk are the most fashionable of all the dressy costumes for women who are no longer young.

Medium length black cloth and velvet capes, covered with silk applications and edged around the high collar and down the front with fur, are one of the many styles in wraps.

Soft finished gloves are the fashionable kind for street wear. Castor and antelope skin are very desirable, and while gray and tan colors are popular there is a dark, rich mahogany shade which is very chic.

Spangles, beads, jewels, iridescent metal and parti-colored threads are used in the finest garnitures. The assortment would suggest the barbaric were not the colors so perfectly blended and the arrangement so nicely made.

One of the latest things in hats is merely a large bow of black velvet, with a full aigrette in the centre. It is more like the Alsatian bows of old than anything else, and very becoming to most faces. A jewelled ornament, with comb effect, may replace the aigrette.

Almost every woman owns a snug, trim little bonnet. There is nothing more comfortable for driving or more convenient when one goes out in a breeze. A large hat carries too much sail, and a high rate of speed robs the trip of all enjoyment by the constant dread that the headgear will fly away into space.

While fur capes are quite as popular as ever, there is a decided fancy for the natty short jacket. This garment is much approved by young ladies—indeed, it may be said to be almost monopolized by this class of trade. Older persons like longer wraps, and really the extreme of comfort and luxury is found in them.

Black and colored velvet ribbon less than two inches wide forms the latest thing in neck novelties to cover the plain collar band. A yard and a quarter of the ribbon is tied plain around the neck, with a bow at the back, and on this, directly in front, another small flat bow with a fancy buckle in the centre is attached.

A costume for a young lady is made of all-wool fancy suiting. The skirt is plain, the waist is close-fitting, with a puff across the front, the upper edge extends under the arms and the puff is continued to a narrow point at the back of the collar. The edges of the puff are finished with a handsome galloon set on flat and blind-stitched down.

An exceedingly elegant jacket is made of sealskin. There is a very high collar and shoulder cape, that may be worn with the jacket or separately; but without which the garment has a high, close collar and is worn with a boa. The cape makes an exceedingly dressy addition. It is made of sealskin and ermine, put together in the most artistic fashion.

Women who are given to driving in cold weather are having hoods made somewhat after the old-fashioned Puritan hood. They are made of brocaded velvet, satin or fur, with a bright facing turned back from the front. They are large and loose, but rolled closely to the head, especially at the sides, and are tied with wide bows of thick ribbon.

The newest and most extravagant item of the season is the Russian blouse of baby lamb. It is moderately close at the sides and back, has the full front approved by fashion and a fairly full frill about the hips. The revers, collar and cuffs may be of the same or contrasting fur. A good deal of ermine is used and sealskin is liked very much in such combination.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

The Teller resolution from the senate, declaring the bonds of the United States payable in either gold or silver at the option of the government, was taken up in the house today. There was a great deal of activity among the leaders of both sides before the house met in anticipation of a very exciting debate over the resolution, which those in control had decided to defeat before sundown. The members on both sides had been notified in advance and the attendance on the floor was very large. The struggle opened immediately after the journal, when Mr. Dingley of Maine, chairman of the ways and means committee, reported back the resolution with the recommendation that "it do not pass." The debate consumed the entire day, when at 5 o'clock the vote was taken, resulting in its defeat by a vote of 182 to 132. Party ranks were held intact on the vote and only three breaks occurred. Republicans cheered long and loud over their victory, and then at 5:35 the house adjourned.

The Senate.

John C. McLaurin was sworn in as senator from South Carolina to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Earle.... The bill introduced by Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, providing that all pensioners now receiving less than $10 per month receive that amount after the bill's passage was reported adversely.... The agricultural appropriation bill was placed on the calendar.... Mr. Morgan presented a resolution requesting the president, if consistent with public service, to send to the senate the correspondence relating to the negotiations and exchange of ratifications upon a treaty between the United States and Great Britain relating to compensation for the seizure of British ships in Bering sea.... Mr. Foraker called up the bill providing for the purchase of the Kansas Pacific branch of the Union Pacific railroad. The bill went over.... The army appropriation bill was passed, carrying $23,143,492.... The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, with slight amendments, was passed. The bill carried $21,505,245.... The senate then went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

The military academy appropriation bill was reported to the house today. The anti-civil service reformers won a slight victory when Mr. Perkins, of Iowa, presented a resolution for printing the hearings of the civil service committee.... A bill was passed authorizing the secretary of the treasury to build or purchase a suitable vessel for revenue cutter service on the Yukon river, to cost not exceeding $40,000.... The senate resolution for the relief of Ex-Senator Call, of Florida, was adopted.... Then at 12:30 p. m. the house went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill which was begun on Saturday.... At 1 o'clock the debate drifted into politics.... Mr. Mahany, of New York, presented to the house a petition of 100,000 voters in opposition to the Lodge immigration bill. He made an impassioned speech against the tolerance of those who desired to close the gates to immigration, after which the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the session of the senate today Mr. Clark rose to a point of personal privilege to defend his vote for the Nelson amendment to the Teller resolution, providing that gold and silver coins should be maintained at a parity.... The resolution of Mr. Pettigrew declaring it to be the policy of the United States not to acquire territory to defend which a navy would be required, went over until tomorrow at the request of the author.... Mr. Morgan's resolutions presented yesterday calling upon the president for correspondence and information relating to the arbitration of the British seizure claims was adopted.... The senate then, at 12:40 p. m., on motion of Mr. Davis, chairman of the foreign relations committee, went into executive session.... At 4:45 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

At the opening of the session of the house today Mr. Grow, of Pennsylvania, asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a resolution directing the secretary of war to issue medals to 530 Pennsylvania soldiers who belonged to the command which passed through the mob at Baltimore April 13, 1861, and who received the thanks of Congress July 22, 1861. Consideration was objected to, and the resolution went over.... The army appropriation bill was sent to conference.... The house then resumed consideration of the District of Columbia appropriation bill. The bill was completed and passed, after which the house took up the fortification appropriation bill. It was arranged that the general debate should close tomorrow at 3 o'clock. Debate for the day was closed at 5 o'clock and the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In the senate today Mr. Hawley, of of Connecticut, secured the adoption of a resolution directing the secretary of the interior to furnish the senate the total per capita cost of educating Indian children at certain schools; the total cost of transporting pupils to and from the schools, including the number transported; approximately what proportion of the children educated in the schools return to the blanket and camp condition, and what can be done to prevent such retrogression and continue the children in the lines of progress on which they have entered. ....At 12:35 p. m. the vice president laid before the senate the resolution of Mr. Pettigrew, declaring it to be opposed to the policy of the United States to acquire territory to defend which a navy would be required. On motion of Mr. Hale the senate went into executive session to consider the resolution, which was concluded at 4:20. The senate then proceeded to the consideration of open session business. The agricultural appropriation bill was called up, and after being read, the senate adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

A bill was passed in the house today appropriating $10,000 for a survey and report on the practicability of securing a 35-foot channel in the southwest pass of the Mississippi river. The house then resumed consideration of the fortifications appropriation bill. At 3 o'clock general debate closed and the bill was taken up for consideration under the five minutes rule. Mr. McClellan, of New York, offered an amendment to increase the appropriation for gun and mortar batteries from $1,000,000 to $5,000,000. It was voted down. Without completing the bill, at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A bill repealing an act granting American register to the steamers Claribel and others, was reported and passed.... Germany's order prohibiting the importation of American fruits into that empire called out a resolution from Mr. Davis, of Minnesota, calling upon the president to transmit to the senate the correspondence and other information bearing upon the matter in his possession, or in that of the state department. The resolution was agreed to.... Mr. White, of California, introduced the following resolution and asked that it lie on the table: Resolved, That of right, it belongs wholly to the people of the Hawaiian islands to establish and maintain their own form of government and domestic policy; that the United States ought in nowise to interfere therewith and that any intervention in the political affairs of those islands by any other government will be regarded as an act unfriendly to the United States. ....Mr. Cullom then called up the agricultural appropriation bill, the reading of which was concluded last evening. An amendment was offered to the effect that $20,000 be included to provide for gathering information and other data on the subject of irrigating arid western lands. The amendment was adopted and the bill carrying $3,527,202 was passed.... A bill providing for the appointment of an additional district judge for Texas was passed.... The senate then adjourned.

The House—Friday.

In the house today a bill was passed to amend the act of January 31, 1895, granting rights of way through the public domain for tramways, canals and reservoirs so as to grant those rights for cities and private corporations.... Mr. Fleming, of Georgia, asked unanimous consent to set aside next Monday for the consideration of the bill reported by the Pacific railroad committee to grant additional powers to the president in the matter of the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad. It was objected to.... The house proceeded to the consideration of private bills. The private pension bills favorably acted upon at the session last Friday night were first considered. A desultory debate followed upon the measure.... Mr. Fleming during the consideration of one of the pension bills took advantage of the latitude allowed for debate to discuss the question of protecting the government's interests in the approaching sale of the Kansas Pacific road.... At 5 p. m. the house recessed until 8 o'clock, the evening session to be devoted to the consideration of private pension bills.

The Senate.

A bill providing for the erection of a public building at Beaumont, Tex., at a cost not to exceed $100,000, was passed.... Mr. Platt, of New York, offered a resolution which was referred to the committee on military affairs, directing the secretary of war to return to the Seventh regiment artillery (formerly the 113th New York, V. I.), the flags of the regiment.... A bill authorizing the construction of two bridges across the Choctawhatchie river, a navigable stream, in Dale county, Alabama, was passed.... Mr. Lindsay then took the floor to speak on the resolution of the Kentucky legislature asking him to resign, during which he spoke briefly in defense of his course in the senate.... At 12:35 o'clock the senate went into executive session, and at 3:40 p. m. adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

At the opening of the session of the house today a resolution was presented declaring that in the contest between Samuel Hudson and William McAleer, of Pennsylvania, for a seat in the house Mr. McAleer is entitled to the seat. Without division the report was adopted.... A bill granting to the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railroad Company the right to construct a branch of its railroad in the Indian Territory was passed.... A senate bill authorizing the Muscogee Coal and Railway Company to construct and operate a railway through the Indian Territory and Oklahoma was passed. ....The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the fortifications appropriation bill. After several minor amendments were offered and defeated, the bill was passed, and the house adjourned until Monday.

A Good Worker.

We find the following among the resolutions passed by the white Teachers' Institute, of Montgomery county, before they adjourned Friday.

"Resolved third, That thanks be extended to Dr. E. R. Eldridge, president of the Troy Normal State College, for the invaluable services he rendered in making the institute beneficial and interesting. Time will never efface from our minds the important information which he imparted while in our midst."

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Contractor Carson, of the Atlanta & Alabama Air Line, has suspended a large part of his force awaiting the arrival of the iron for the first ten miles, which is now graded. The grading has now really reached thirteen miles from Selma, and it will not be long now before trains will be running on the road.

The Cuban relief committee gave out the information that Clara Barton will go at once to Cuba to minister to the starving and dying people.

An Afflicted Mother.

From the Times, Paw Paw, Ill.

A resident of this town who has lost two children during the past six years, by violent deaths has been utterly prostrated by the shock, and seriously sick as a result of it. One child (aged 9) was killed by a cyclone in '90 while at school; another, three years later was run over by a Burlington R. R. train. That griefs and misfortunes may so prey on the mind as to lead to serious physical disorders has been well demonstrated in this case. As a result of them, her health was shattered and she has been a constant sufferer since 1890. Her principal trouble has been neuralgia of the stomach which was very painful, and exhibited all the symptoms of ordinary neuralgia, nervousness and indigestion. Physicians did her no good whatever. She was discouraged and abandoned all hope of getting well. Finally, however, a certain well known pill was recommended (Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People).

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A Constant Sufferer.

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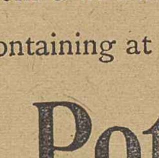

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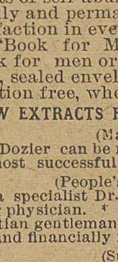

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THE NEWS IN ALABAMA

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT THE MOBILE CONVENTION ASKING NATIONAL AID IN QUARANTINE REGULATIONS.

Coal Production of the State for 1897—Goodwyn-Brewer Contested Election Case—E. & W. Bondholders Lose—Other Interesting Items.

THE QUARANTINE CONVENTION

Adopts Resolutions Asking Congress to Aid in Regulating Quarantine Affairs.

The quarantine convention, which was in session at Mobile the past week, adopted the following resolutions:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention:

"1. That congress be required to provide for a department of public health as soon as possible.

"2 That it is the sense of this convention that congress should enact laws to provide for an efficient maritime quarantine to be uniform and impartial in its application to the different commercial ports of this country, so as to give to no one or more of them undue commercial advantage over the others, and to be enforced by the several state and municipal quarantine or health boards if they will undertake to do so, leaving to the states the power to prescribe and enforce additional reasonable safeguards of the health of their communities, provided that such state action shall not unreasonably obstruct commerce.

"3. That congress should aid the several states in establishing and maintaining uniform, reasonable and efficient quarantine lines, affecting but not regulating interstate commerce, leaving to each state adequate power to protect as it shall deem best the lives and health of its people.

"4. That congress should leave exclusively to the states the regulation of their purely internal commerce and the provision of such quarantine and sanitary laws and regulations as they may deem advisable to that end.

"5. That in the framing of quarantine laws and regulations and their enforcement congress should avail itself of the learning, experience and ability of the medical profession in the fullest manner possible, and especially by way of an advisory council."

BONDHOLDERS LOSE.

Kelly Estate in Control of the East & West Railroad.

Judge Dowdell of the chancery court at Ashville Friday rendered a decree in the case of W. C. Browning and other bondholders of the East & West Alabama railroad against the estate of the late Eugene Kelly, of New York, declaring that $625,000 of receiver's certificates bought by Kelly are prior to all other claims against the property. He also decided that Browning and others, who claim that Kelly entered into an agreement unless they paid to the Kelly estate the value of the receiver's certificates and other advances, amounting to about $1,000,000. The decision, in effect, if sustained by the supreme court, places the Kelly estate in absolute control of the road.

Goodwyn-Brewer Case.

The contested election case of Goodwyn vs. Brewer, from the Fifth Alabama district, was argued before the house committe on elections No. 1 Saturday. Mr. Goodwyn contested the seat held by Judge Cobb in the last house and was given the seat. Mr. Goodwyn was represented in the committee by Gen. W. W. Dudley, of Indiana, and Mr. Vaughan, of Alabama, and Mr. Brewer by A. D. Pitts and G. H. Patrick. Cobb's plurality on the face of the returns was 700; Brewer's almost 6,000. As in the Aldrich-Plowman contest, the principal allegation of fraud is made against the returns from the county (Lowndes in this case) where there is a large excess of colored population over white. The census shows that the population of Lowndes county consisted of 4,563 whites and 6,985 colored persons. The official returns from this county gave Brewer, democrat, 3,407, and Goodwyn, republican, 272.

Value of Diversified Crops.

Henry Stumpe, a German farmer of the St. Florian neighborhood, in Colbert county, has the past year demonstrated that it is not necessary to plant cotton to make a living. He states that last year he made an average of $110 per acre on his farm, planting potatoes, onions, etc., and not a stalk of cotton.

Tour of Inspection.

Adjutant General Ligon announced that at an early date officers will be detailed to inspect each and every military company in Alabama. Lieutenant Sam Jones and Colonel Barber, the staff inspector general, will make the tour.

A Still Raided in Jefferson.

Deputy Collector W. C. Hanlin and Deputy Marshal J. N. Vaughn captured a forty-gallon copper still and arrested is operator, E. D. Williams, about one and a half miles north of Bryan, in Jefferson county, near the Walker county line, last week.

A Bank for Sheffiield.

A. E. Potter, who has been engaged in the banking business at Abbeville, Ga., has located in Sheffield, where he will establish a bank.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

A new hotel and bank will be erected at Centerville.

Mamie Wade, a negro woman, shot herself to death at Avondale.

A big grain elevator and flour mill will be erected at Tuskaloosa.

John H. Hooper, one of the most prominent men of Dallas county, died Friday.

Birmingham's cotton receipts since the first of last September have been 101,073 bales.

The supreme court adjourned for the term Friday. The court will meet again on the first Monday in April.

W. J. Siddall, who was shot on the streets of Opelika a few days since, died from the effects of the wounds.

The senate in executive session Friday recommitted the nomination of Dallas B. Smith to be postmaster at Opelika.

Hon. W. F. Fontaine, of Arlington, Wilcox county, died last week. He represented Wilcox county in the legislature of 1892-3.

Florence is now on a firm financial basis. The collections of January exceeded the collections of January of last year by $2,000.

The city council of Dothan has decreed that no hog, cow or other live stock shall be allowed to run at large in the streets of that city.

The work of track laying on the extension of the Mobile & Ohio railroad from Columbus, Miss., to Montgomery, will be completed within two weeks.

Congressman O. W. Underwood has announced his candidacy for re-election to the house of representatives from the Ninth district. He is for the Chicago platform.

Col. A. K. McClure, editor of the Philadelphia Times, has accepted an invitation of the Commercial Club of Birmingham to be their guest at an early date.

Mrs. Florence Forbes, state superintendent of the railroad department of the W. C. T. U., has published an appeal to the members of the state to preach a special temperance sermon to railroad men on the first Sunday in March.

There are now 242 horses wintering at the race track at Selma and the expense of keeping them is about $12,000 per month, all of which is spent in Selma. Next year many more stables will be built, and an effort will be made to have at least 500 horses winter in Selma.

The Woman's Alabama Press Association met in Montgomery Friday for organization. Mrs. George C. Ball, of the Birmingham Age-Herald, was made president; Mrs. H. C. Hildreth, of the Decatur News, vice-president; Mrs. Dr. J. D. S. Davis, of Birmingham, secretary and treasurer; Miss Claudia Hood, of the Montgomery Journal corresponding secretary.

The following recent hog killings are noted in and near Alexander City: George McWhorter, one, weight 556; W. M. Jackson, two, weight 478 and 381; John Coley, three, weight 456, 432 and 326; W. L. Thomas, one, weight 440; Ed Rush, one, weight 416; W. B. Peterns, one, weight 365; R. M. Templeton, one, weight, 334; E. P. Duncan, two, weight 350 and 336; Joe Knight, two, weight 336 and 323; Jim Seats, one, weight 276, ten months old.

Alabama Coal Production.

J. D. Hillhouse, chief mine inspector, Saturday gave out the final figures on Alabama coal production in 1897. The total is 5,868,271 tons, the largest in the state's history, and 122,654 tons greater than last year. The total number of men employed was 11,091. The total coke production was 1,395,252 tons, as compared to 1,689,307 tons for 1896, thus showing a falling off. He places the total number of coke ovens n blast last year at 4,662.

Saved by a Miracle.

A wreck occurred on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad, near Ensley City, in which Engineer J. T. Loveless and Fireman Dave Ingram were seriously injured. That five men, the entire crew, were not killed is a miracle, for an engine and caboose left the track while running at the rate of twenty miles an hour and the engine turned completely over down a little fill. There were three men on the engine, and with the exception of the engineer, who had two ribs broken, a slight fracture of the skull and a badly sprained leg, no injuries that could possibly result fatally were received.

Governor's Appointment Killed.

A decision was handed down by the supreme court Friday sustaining Judge Carmichael's decision in the case of Tax Assessor Moore, of Coosa county, who was removed by Governor Johnston for not conducting his office in a proper manner and appointed J. M. Nolen as his successor. The court held that the governor had no right to remove an officer without an impeachment trial, and authorized Tax Assessor Moore to proceed with the duties which he has never relinquished.

FIGHTING IN GUATEMALA

Strife and Bloodshed Has Followed the Assassination of Barrios.

A special from San Jose de Guatemala says civil strife and bloodshed have followed the killing of Barrios. Before the body of the late ruler had found sepulchre the factions were flying at each other's throats, and as a result General Marroquin, the chief supporter of Prospero Morales, one of the aspirants to the presidency, is dead, and his forces are seeking safety in flight.

Thursday night General Marroquin attempted to seize the reins of government in behalf of Morales. He made an attack in force on the palace barracks. The assault was vigorously resisted, and in the fighting General Marroquin ana a few others were killed. Seeing that their efforts would not prove successful, the attacking forces, consisting of 2,000 men, headed by General Majera and Colonel Arevalo, fled from the city.

General Toledo, who has been appointed minister of war by Manuel Gabrera, the president pro tem. of the republic, ordered the artillery in pursuit of the fleeing revolutionists.

The populace and soldiers are now demanding that General Mendoza be proclaimed president. The situation is becoming more alarming and the crisis is acute.

President Barrios' cabinet resigned Friday.

A BARON SUICIDES.

The Famous Prince of Trinidad Takes His Own Life.

Baron Harden Hickey, better known as the Prince of Trinidad, committed suicide by taking morphine at the Pierson hotel in El Paso, Tex. He left a letter addressed to his wife at Corona, Cal., in which he stated that he was going to die. Deceased was married to a daughter of John H. Flagler, of New York, the Standard Oil magnate, in 1891. Baron Hickey attained notoriety some time ago when he took possession of Trinidad Island and proclaimed himself military dictator.

Baron Harden Hickey was the first of the royal dynasty of Trinidad. He was born in San Francisco on December 8, 1854, of a Catholic and old royalist family. His ancestors, the Hickeys, originally came from Ireland, having accompanied the banished royal Stuarts of England in their flight to France.

PLEASED WITH FLORIDA.

Secretary Wilson Has Made a Tour of the State.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has completed a comprehensive tour of Florida, He visited orange groves, winter truck gardens, the sugar plantations of the Kissimmee valley on rich lands reclaimed by the Disston Company, the pineapple plantations of the east coast and tobacco plantations of many sections of the state. He was greatly impressed and astonished with the quality of leaf grown in Florida and of the development of the industry since the war in Cuba has limited the exports from that country; also of Florida's possibilities as a sugar producing state.

At Lake City he was presented with one hundred cigars made of '97 Florida tobacco, the box to be opened at the next cabinet meeting that he attends.

FIVE KILLED

In a Head End Collision on the L. & N. Near Brewton, Ala.

A terrible head end collision between freight trains occurred seven miles north of Brewton, Ala., at 1:30 o'clock Friday morning. Both engineers, Davidson and Ussery, a colored fireman, a negro railroad laborer and a white tramp were killed. Two white brakemen, a colored fireman and a tramp were injured seriously.

A disregard of orders by Engineer Davidson to meet the other train at Kirkland was the cause. The collision was on a straight stretch, but a dense fog prevented the enginemen from seeing the danger in time to save themselves.

Beyond a Million.

Savannah's cotton receipts reached the million mark Friday and went beyond, Friday's receipts of 3,190 bales carried the total to 1,000,025 bales. This is the earliest date in the season at which Savannah's receipts have gone to 1,000,000 bales.

The Thief Discovered.

The letter which encompassed DeLome's downfall was stolen by Manuel Zerafin Richardo, son-in-law of Senor Arturo Amblard, deputy of the cortes in Cuba. Richardo is the close business associate of Canalejas, the editor of El Heraldo, of Madrid, to whom the letter was addressed and delivered, and is the Havana correspondent of that newspaper.

The democrats made heavy gains in the municipal elections in New York State. In seventeen counties the democrats made gains in thirty-three towns and the republicans in only one. Oleon elected its first democratic mayor.

Crisis in Uruguay.

Senor Juan L. Cuestas, the president of Uruguay ad interim, has executed his threatened coup d'etat, and has issued a decree dissolving the assembly. A junta has been formed of eighty-eight leading politicians. Senor Cuestas has been appointed provisional governor.

Florida's fourteenth annual chautauqua will be held at DuFuniak Springs, commencing February 17 and closing March 23.

THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Happenings of General Interest Fresh From the Wires.

GEORGIA'S SECRETARY OF STATE RESIGNS.

Ensign Breckenridge Washed Overboard and Drowned—Italian Warship Ordered to Hayti—No Apology to be Asked of Spain.

A canning factory will be built at McMinnville, Tenn.

W. L. Trent has been appointed postmaster of Knoxville, Tenn.

Judge John M. Taylor, of Lexington, has announced his candidacy for governor of Tennessee.

McKisson, the defeated senatorial candidate in Ohio, will contest the election of Mark Hanna.

Levi P. Morton's seven story office building in New York was destroyed by fire. Loss $500,000.

Edwin S. Cunningham, of Tennessee, has been appointed by the president to be consul at Aden, Arabia.

President McKinley will not demund an apology from Spain, as he is satisfied with De Lome's departure.

Italian warships have been ordered to Hayti to enforce pending claims of the Italian government to the amount of $120,000.

Ensign J. R. Breckenridge was washed overboard from the torpedo boat Cushing, now in Havana harbor, and was drowned.

Hon. Allen D. Candler, of Georgia, has tendered his resignation to the governor as secretary of state, to make the race for governor.

The corner stone of the Coleman Cotton mill, ot Concord, N. C., was laid Friday. It is the only mill in the world owned and operated by negro labor.

J. Hadley Clack who has been chief of police of Nashville for many years was defeated by the new police board and Robert Sidebottom elected in his place.

A proposition is before the Louisiana Constitutional convention to pension ex-Confederates, which will probably become a part of the new constitution.

After celebrating his 56th birthday. George Hartman, living near Louisville, Ky., became suddenly despondent and plunged into a cistern, and was drowned.

The house committee on commerce killed the senate bill to permit the state of South Carolina to control liquors brought into the state in original packages. The motion to report it favorably was lost on a tie vote.

A special from Bonham, Texas, says that in an attempt to arrest William Green and Bob Hunter, near there, both men were killed, and Officer Tom Milstead and Charles Bridges were so badly injured that they will likely die.

One of the new bills introduced in the Kentucky house of representatives Friday was by Mount, populist, proposing to change the name of Carlisle county to William Jennings Bryan county.

Official advices received by the French foreign office from Pekin say Japan has notified China that she intends to keep Wei-Hai-Wei permanently. Such a report, however, has not been confirmed at Washington.

A Warsaw dispatch says: During a funeral service in the synagogue at Idzienciol, in Grodno, Wednesday, the woman's gallery collapsed. In the panic that ensued twelve women, five men and three children were crushed to death and many others were seriously injured.

The contest which has been waged in the house committee on invalid pensions ever since the assembling of congress over the question of barring from the pension rolls the widows and children of soldiers who marry hereafter, came to an end Thursday in the defeat of the proposition.

The American line steamer St. Louis, Captain Rad[illegible], which arrived at New York Saturday from Southampton, reports the loss at sea of the Holland-American line steamer Veendam, Captain Stenger, from Rotterdam for New York. The passengers and crew of the Veendam were saved by the St. Louis.

The Goebel election law passed the Kentucky senate Thursday and will be rushed through the house. The governor will veto it and then it will be passed over his head. The law is such as to keep the republicans from carrying the elections in that the franchise will be regulated to the interest of the democrats.

The Spanish government has requested the Clyde Bank Ship Building Company to push Spanish work. The company has dispatched to Spain a high-speed torpedo cruiser, fully manned by Spaniards. In addition, two torpedo boat destroyers are being completed for Spain, the crews for which have arrived at Glasgow.

Pittsburg, Pa., was visited by one of the most disastrous fires in its history last week. Eleven people dead, twenty-seven missing and eighteen injured, and a property loss of $1,500,000, with about $1,000,000 insurance, is the record the fire made.

Miss Lillian Roden, of Birmingham, has been appointed sponsor for the division of Alabama, United Confederate Veterans, and will act during the reunion at Atlanta in July. Miss Roden is the daughter of a veteran who was wounded in the army, and her appointment by Maj.-Gen. F. S. Ferguson is heartily indorsed.

STRONG ADDRESS TO FARMERS

Commissioner Culver on Subject of What Planters Should Do.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, who is also president of the Alabama Agricultural Society, has issued an address to the farmers of the state.

The address appeared a day or two ago, incorporated in a pamphlet containing the constitution and by-laws of the society. Here is the address, and it is interesting:

It is an established fact that thorough organization is the corner-stone to success in every enterprise.

The first organization for the promotion of agriculture that we have an account of was a small colony settled on the Tiber, extending five miles back to the Albion hills, and only four miles up and down the river. Out of this colony came Rome, with her widespread dominion. Romulus only allowed one acre to each individual for cultivation, until Italy had been conquered, then the acreage was increased to four per capita. Cato, the first and most celebrated agricultural writer, tells how thoroughly agriculture was organized at the end of the second Punic war. He also enumerates the results of said organization. First thorough preparation and cultivation, rotation and rest. Also practiced a diversified agriculture. Rome's glory and power came from her agriculture, and as long as she fostered and protected that interest so long she maintained her position for power and conquest. The second effort was made in Italy, in the year 1900, in the establishing of an agricultural society, which soon failed.

Scotland did the same in 1723, and allowed, without good reason, the society to die out; but in 1783 organized the "Highland Agricultural Society.' Only six men composed the organization. In 1787 said society was incorporated by royal charter, and a few years ago had over eight thousand members, paying as annual dues six dollars, or for life membership, sixty dollars. Their constitution enumerates the object of the association, and we will do well to observe them. They are:

First—Sub-organizations throughout Scotland with shows or fairs.

Second—Improved stock breeding.

Third—A proper system of agricultural education.

Fourth—The veterinary art and science.

Fifth—Analysis of soils and fertilizers.

Sixth—An annual publication of experiments and reports.

England has now her "Royal Agricultural Society," and so has every prosperous, progressive European country the same.

Well has it become known that an advanced and diversified agriculture is a potent factor in the prosperity of a nation, and well is it understood that only through organization can this be accomplished. Many of our own states have state organizations, societies and departments of agriculture, and there is no intelligent, progressive man in this state, or elsewhere, but recognizes the utility and necessity for such organizations. By organization, if we doubt for a moment its potency, either for good or evil, we have but to look at what has been accomplished by railroad combinations, manufacturers, merchants; indeed, today, every calling or profession in this country is backed by an organization thorough and complete. Not a single enterprise or business, public or private, that is not organized. Armies are handled and made effective only through organization. Religious denominations are maintained through their perfect system of organization. Denominations and sects of religionists disappear when organization is neglected. All nature, by God himself, stands organized, and to that extent within our power imitate Him. We are effectual in our efforts to accomplish a given enterprise. But, to be more practicable, we must be more specific with this question and display the results, or at least the more salient ones, to grow out of organization to us in Alabama as farmers and land owners. First, organination is a means of education. In our coming together we learn each other's defects, each other's wants, each other's capacity, in a word, become acquainted with each other, and by far the best of all we become acquainted with ourselves. We soon learn that God did not make us and then throw away the moulds, and that in us and with us all wisdom and knowledge of agriculture. Therefore, the most difficult part of man's education, "know thyself," is easily obtained when we are thrown together with men of whom we soon discover that they have forgotten more than we have ever learned, and while the most ignorant are the greatest learners, yet from them are many of our most practical and useful lessons obtained. Thus by the interchange of theory and practice; held and in operation on our individual farms, all are made common stock for improvement and progress. Again, we will learn that farming is not all art, but that science has much to do with successful farming.

The nature of our soils, the plant food extracted by a given crop, the necessary fertilizer, both as to kind and quantity, the value of rest, shade, air, sunshine, rain and dews are all illustrated by science. Those inclined to theory are held back by practical men that know of the art; thus all theory or book farming is passed through the mill of common sense, and we are often rid of the expense and worry of an experiment sure to fail.

When organized we can and ought to discuss the many subjects of vital interest to the farmers of Alabama, which can be done in our county and state societies. One of the first subjects that ought to come before us is the planting and raising of more food supplies of every kind for both man and beast first, and above all to influence each individual farmer to make his farm self-sustaining, and practice intensive farming, building up the productive capacity of his land by rotation and proper fertilization, thereby leaving to his posterity valuable real estates.

It is now a fact that we can and have raised a ten and a half million bale crop of cotton, and with increased population and the increased area of cotton lands of the west that is being opened to cotton we can in the near future produce a twelve or fifteen million crop, and I am fully satisfied in my humble judgment that five cents cotton is here to remain with us for a time. Then what ought we to do? No man can raise cotton at five cents and purchase his supplies and his mules; then why not face about and raise everything we need at home and then what cotton we can? If we plant for and raise twelve million this year and but little food crops, we may be able to realize about three to four cents for our cotton, and then where are your supplies to come from if you should fail to raise them?

This is a matter that each individual must ponder and settle for himself.

We hope that every county in the state that has not already a county society or club will at once organize, and it is my purpose to aid and assist in these organizations as rapidly as I can.

We hope that the counties will be organized in time to send delegates to the meeting of the State Society next August.

I. F. CULVER,
President Alabama State Agricultural Society.

McClellan for Chief Justice.

Oneonta News-Dispatch.

Judge T. N. McClellan of the supreme court of Alabama, ought to be, and will be, overwhelmingly elected chief justice of that court. He is senior justice now, and according to a well established democratic precedent will be promoted to the chief justiceship. Besides, in our judgment he is the ablest jurist on the supreme bench, in fact, one of the ablest in this country. Furthermore, he is in thorough accord with the principles of the party declared in its last national convention in Chicago. He does not merely reluctantly acquiesce in what the convention did and refuse to state whether he stands on the platform adopted by the convention or not, as his opponent does; but he thoroughly approves of the course of that convention and believes in the platform of principles adopted by it, and does not hesitate to say so. He is also in thorough accord and sympathy with the state democratic administration; he favored and worked for the nomination of Governor Johnston in his race for the governorship.

In this district, Judge Tally's judicial district, some have very quietly talked it that Judge Tally and Judge Tally's friends would fight Judge McClellan. We know it to be a fact that such is not the case, Judge Tally himself disclaiming any such purpose. It has been said that some of Judge Coleman's friends have sought to use the decision of the supreme court rendered by Justice McClellan in the Tally case against Judge McClellan in his race for the chief justiceship; but this paper thinks that there is very little of that being done; that if any of it is, it is without the approval of Judge Coleman, who, at the time of said decision, was also associate justice of the supreme court and fully concurred in said opinion and is as much responsible for it as Judge McClellan or Judge Coleman in regard to the decision; and it would be against the best interest of the people to oppose a judge for the honest discharge of his oftentimes unpleasant duties.

JOHN W. TOMLINSON

Feels the Political Pulse at the Nation's Capitol.

Hon. John W. Tomlinson, of Birmingham, has returned from a brief visit to Washington. He was there during the stirring fight in the senate over the Teller resolution and was a guest at the annual banquet of the Grid Iron club Saturday night at the Arlington. Mr. Tomlinson stated to a reporter that he had a lengthy conversation with Chairman Jones, and he said that "systematic work was being quietly but effectively done all over the country in preparation for the great contest in 1900. He declared there must be no wavering in Alabama or any other state, and to prevent this the people should be very careful and select the right men to go to the county conventions and state conventions, and see that the executive committees are made up of the right material.

"What is the sentiment regarding Mr. Bryan?" and before continuing Mr. Tomlinson repeated the question. "The concluding paragraph in an editorial of the Washington Post Sunday expresses the almost universal opinion in Washington, when it says: 'Mr. Bryan is the acknowledged leader of his party, and is daily becoming more securely entrenched in the confidence and affections of the democratic masses.'"

South Carolina's latest plan for reducing the number of homicides is a bill recently introduced in the legislature which makes it unlawful to have a hip pocket in the rear of the trousers or coat. Provision, however, is made for persons who may be permitted, for good reason, to carry a gun; they are granted a license, but must also wear conspicuously a metal badge which bears the legend: "I have my gun concealed."

Rev. William C. Cantrell, for twenty years president of LaFayette College at Philadelphia, died the past week.

PASSPORTS FOR DE LOME

The Recall of the Spanish Minister Demanded by the President.

HIS RESIGNATION ACCEPTED BY SPIAN

De Lome's Letter to His Friend Canalejas Criticising the President Cause of the Rupture—Spain Must Apologize.

Special dispatches from Washington says that Minister DeLome has cabled his resignation to the Spanish government, and that the same has been promptly accepted.

The publication in the morning papers of what purported to be an autograph letter written by Senor Dupuy DeLome, the Spanish minister, to his friend, Canalejas, criticising the president with the utmost freedom, caused a sensation in official Washington, and soon will be followed by Minister DeLome's departure from the United States. At the outset there was a question as to the authenticity of the letter, but as bit by bit the circumstantial evidence accumulated until it was finally announced officially that the minister declined to deny the authorship of the letter, all doubt was dissipated, and the only question that remained was as to the line of action to be pursued by our government toward the offending minister.

That part of the letter of DeLome containing the insulting allusions to the president says:

"It shows once more what McKinley is—weak and catering to the rabble, and, besides, a low politician, who desires to leave a door open to me and to stand well with the jingoes of his party."

The Recall Demanded.

As soon as the letter appeared in the press the state department officials began an effert to settle its authenticity and when it had learned all that could be developed on this point and had been told that the minister himself refused to deny writing it, the consideration of the next step began. Assistant Secretary Day was in consultation with the president on the subject at least four times during the official day, and then spent much time in framing his message to United States Minister Woodford at Madrid.

The substance of the cablegram sent to General Woodford, our minister to Madrid, in reference to the DeLome letter, is as follows:

"There has appeared in the public prints a letter addressed by the Spanish minister to Mr. Canalejas. This letter, the minister admits, was written by him. It contains expressions concerning the president of the United States of such character as to end the minister's usefulness as a representative of his government in this country. General Woodford, therefore, was instructed at once to say to the minister of state that the immediate recall of Mr. Dupuy DeLome is expected the president."

Cables His Resignation.

Madrid—At a meeting of the Spanish cabinet, held under the presidency of the queen regent, the minister for foreign affairs, Senor Gullon, read a dispatch from Senor Dupuy DeLome, the Spanish minister at Washington, saying that the published letter to Senor Canalejas was written by him, and that his position, consequently, had become untenable, and he begged the government to accept his resignation. The cabinet decided to accept the resignation of Senor Dupuy DeLome, and the ministers subsequently met and decided to telegraph Senor DeLome accepting his resignation and entrusting the first secretary with the conduct of the current affairs of the legation.

Put to Flight by Women.

A desperate pitched battle occurred near Esculapia Springs, Ky., between Constable Cropper and two deputies on one side and three women on the other. The old lady Crow was shot and instantly killed by the constable, but not until the woman had shot William Thacker in the temple, inflicting an ugly but not fatal wound.

The Misses Crow were both badly wounded, but did not surrender, and finally drove the officers away. One of them stabbed Thacker in the shoulder badly. They began firing at the officers without a moment's notice.

Gen. Woodford's Life in Danger.

Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, the United States minister at Madrid, seems to be in grave and imminent danger. He may be the chief sufferer from the results of the DeLome letter.

The situation has become so serious that the Spanish government has surrounded the United States legation with several companies of cavalry and infantry. But with all these precautions Woodford is in danger. The troops themselves are so aroused against the United States that they might be parties to the mobbing of the American minister in retaliation for the act of this government in expelling DeLome.

Aldrich Gets Plowman's Seat.

By a vote of 143 to 132 the house of representatives Wednesday seated William F. Aldrich, the republican who contested the seat of Thomas S. Plowman, elected from the fourth Alabama district.

The vote was strictly a party vote. All the republicans voted for Aldrich and all the democrats and populists, with the exception of Skinner of North Carolina, who voted for Aldich, voted for Plowman.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

The M. & O. Extension will soon be completed and trains running from Columbus to Montgomery.

The Calera High School, under the management of Prof. C. C. Slaton, is in a flourishing condition.

John J. Hooper, junior partner in the firm of C. W Hooper & Co., Selma, died in that city last Friday after a lingering illness.

Mr. E. T. Going, who kept the saloon near the railroad crossing at Calera, died suddenly at his place of business last Wednesday.

B. F. Crabb, of Dadeville, will soon move to Montevallo and open up a stock of merchandise in the store now occupied by C. C. Vandergrift.

Gen. C. M. Shelly and J. H. Moerline have purchased 1200 acres of land near Piedmont and will colonize it with Northern and Western farmers.

The Sentinel is informed that an effort is being made to have Hon. W. J. Bryan speak at Calera while he is in Alabama the latter part of this month. The Advocate joins the Sentinel in wishing the effort will be successful.

Let every citizen in Alabama take an active part in politics this year. It is not only a privilege but a solemn duty to bear one's part of the responsibility of government. Wake up, neighbors and join the fray, and always vote your sentiments without fear or favor.—Anniston Inquirer.

The right of suffrage is a shield and a buckler to poor men. It is protection against oppression, in this, that by their ballots they can retire their oppressors to private life. The right of suffrage gives consequence to poor men; it gives them a voice in public affairs, and forces men who aspire to office to court their favor by defending their rights.—Decatur Herald.

The Alabama Womans' Press Association was organized in Montgomery last Friday, with Mrs. G. C. Ball, as President, Mrs. H. C. Hildreth, Vice-President, Mrs. J. D. S. Davis, Secretary and Treasurer, and Miss Claudie Hood, corresponding Secretary. Delegates were elected to the national press convention in Washington and to the New Orleans Womans' Convention. Mrs. F. W. Gist, of this city, was elected as one of the delegates to New Orleans.

TALLADEGA POLITICS.

Talladega, Ala., Feb. 12.—Editor Advocate.—The communication hereto appended was handed by me to the editor of the News-Reporter, of this place, on he 3rd day of February, instant, with the request that he publish it. He agreed to do so, but when it failed to appear in his issue of the 5th inst., he informed me the same was crowded out, and would appear in the issue of Feb. 12. So to-day he failed to publish it, and came to me with the excuse, among others equally absurd, that its publication would unnecessarily create strife and discord, and that he was running a democratic newspaper, and declined to publish it.

The truth hurts, and the democrats do not wish to have the lights turned on. I have learned that my communication was shown to one of the party bosses here, who then remarked, "well, he certainly did not expect you to publish it?" That settled it, so far as the News-Reporter was concerned. We need a fearless, honest newspaper here; in fact I know of no finer or more inviting field for such. We need a paper whose columns are not closed to facts, no matter which party might be damaged by their publication. We need a press that is not muzzled.

Will you kindly give space for the above referred to communication?

Respectfully,
M. D. IVEY.

A copy of the above referred to article, is in the following words and figures:

Talladega, Feb. 3, 1898.—Editor News-Reporter: Please allow me space in your paper for a communication on political honesty.

In your issue of last week, you had a fit because the Elections Committee of the House reported adversely to Capt. Plowman, and you go so far, in effect, as to advise people who do not vote the democratic ticket to be careful, and state plainly the remedy that they "are playing with fire" and "are inviting the deluge."

Your remedy is certainly heroic, and do you not feel sure that every Populist in Talladega county will now get scared, run home and hide under the bed and call on his brave wife to defend him?

You fly into a spasm and abuse other political parties for fraud and rascality, without ever once referring, in your pure (?) political mind, to the unblushing steal the democrats committed in this county in the August election, 1896, though you cannot be the blooming idiot to deny that the election returns were then forged, after going into the hands of returning officers, so as to rob the Populists of their overwhelming and splendid victory. Without any reference to the Aldrich-Plowman contest, let me ask: Had you not best fall on your knees and beg of a righteous God forgiveness for your political sins of omission and commission, and those of your party, and quit practicing and winking at them, before finding fault with your political neighbors? How would it do for you to first apply your remedy of fire and water to yourself? Ought sauce for the goose be sauce for the gander?

Your fire and water threat scares no one but yourself. Do you think this people such cowardly curs as to fear your threats? You certainly have a dwarfed and silly judgment of their patriotism if you think (as you seem to) that threats from you or any one else, can drive them into voting as you would have them. They think and act for themselves, and your inflammatory and incendiary editorial is unworthy even the pen of you yourself, and is highly insulting to the intelligence of our people, irregardless of political affiliation. In the light of your editorial you stand a self-confessed and red-handed anarchist and fire-brand, in favor of anything, no matter how unlawful and revolutionary, necessary to keep democrats in office. And you, the man who, in your paper, occasionally quotes the Holy Scriptures, now advising fire to be applied to your political enemies to whip them into line. Shame on you! That Good Book teaches you to love your enemies. But, we are told, the devil himself was a great hypocrit, and familiar with the Scriptures, and even sometimes quoted them, as you do.

Again, when you say in your article, in substance, that to be a Populist means one is in favor of "negro rule," I take it upon myself, being a Populist, in the name of the People's Party, to refute the utterance as false. Your statement is a slanderous falsehood against the fair name of Populism. We are in favor of white supremacy, purity of election methods, opposed to bribery and forgery of election returns, and are in favor of honest elections, a fair count and constitutional government. The practices of organized democracy show they are not. We are also opposed to your torch, fire or deluge slush or hog wash, and are even opposed to giving you your own medicine. It may be you had a temporary fit of insanity when writing your article, and did not have a lucid interval before going to press, and if so I beg pardon for replying to your editorial; or it may be you wished to demonstrate to your "Marse Tom" what a faithful and willing slave you are!

Mr. Editor, be manly—don't be a hypocritical donkey to bear the sins and burdens of organized democracy. Take a course of lectures on political honesty, and learn to strike down corruption in your own party, even in your own county, as well as elsewhere. Uphold the right. Condemn the wrong, and have the courage of your convictions. Be honest in politics as in business, and your paper will become a power in the land. Continue to wink at fraud, fail or refuse to denounce it when known to you, and your paper will never rise above its present standard. Be honest.

Respectfully.
M. D. IVEY

The Democratic State Executive Committee met in Montgomery last Tuesday and fixed the time and place for their State Convention. The convention is called to meet in Montgomery on April 20th, and primaries on April 9th, and county conventions on April 13th. The bars were let down, and everybody is invited to vote in their primaries, who will agree to support the principles of democracy. What those principles are, no living man can tell.

Governor Johnston will urge the next legislature to pass a law requiring all county record books to be of uniform design. The Governor says that under the present system the force of public examiners is too small to look into the books of the county officials in 66 counties in one year. A uniform system of book keeping should have been required of county officials long ago, and the next legislature should not fail to act in this matter.—Wetumpka Democrat.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich, by a vote of 182 to 132, was on last Thursday declared elected to the 55th congress from this district, and Mr Plowman, who held the certificate from the ballot box stuffers of Dallas county, will now step down and out. Mr. Aldrich was sworn in and at once entered upon the discharge of his duties as representative from this district.

Several hundred dollars will be realized this session by the pupils in the dress making classes of the Montevallo Industrial School, all of which goes to the pupils themselves.

Who Can Measure

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ALDRICH-PLOWMAN CASE.

Some Peculiar Discoveries Made by a Republican Congressman.

Special to The Age-Herald.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The Post prints this story: Represenative Taylor, of Ohio, in the exhaustive Aldrich-Plowman contested election case, made some peculiar discoveries in the course of his investigations. The particular case cited by him was in one of the Fourth Alabama district precincts, where the democratic politicians had the name of Nathan Lewis on their poll books as voting.

"Now, it is not uncommon," said Mr. Taylor, "in these elections throughout the south to discover that some dead man has voted; but in the case of Nathan Lewis, we not only know that he is dead, but we have a receipt for his coffin, and the receipt is in evidence, showing that not only did he die, but that somebody had to pay for burying."

This was too much for the equanimity of either repulicans or democrats, and both sides laughed at Mr. Taylor's peculiar discovery.

It is currently reported that it cost Mr. Aldrich $15,000 to conduct the contest for his seat. There were many obstacles in his way, and it was necessary for him to secure the services of attorneys in nearly every town in the district. For two years it has been a common saying in that district that Mr. Aldrich was the only republican able to run for congress and enter a contest for his seat. He secured his seat in the fifty-fourth congress only after a contest as bitter as the one just closed.

Representative Aldrich is a New Yorker by birth, and was educated as a civil engineer. He went to Alabama in 1874, engaged in mining and manufacturing, and built up the town that now bears his name. The only political office he ever held before his first election to congress was that of postmaster of his town.

MARDI GRAS.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 14.—(Special Correspondence.)—The people are coming to the Birmingham Mardi Gras as they never have before, and the Magic City will for nearly a week be one spectacularly picturesque scene of gaiety. The city will be decorated in colors and combinations to please the most critical eye, and the town will, so to speak, be run wide open. The key will be turned over to Rex and those who have come to see him, and there will be nothing done to prevent every one having a "good time" in any manner the individual may see fit to define the phrase.

Rates go into effect in the Southeastern Passenger Association territory on the 16th instant, and the extreme return limit is fixed at March 5.

A canvass of the different passenger offices reveals the fact that preparations are being made for the handling of an immense amount of travel to this point on account of the Mardi Gras.

Already Birmingham is wearing Mardi Gras colors. Banners and flags are kissing the breezes, telling of the coming joyous event.

Preparations for the great Mardi Gras Carnival are progressing quite smoothly, and everything points to a great success. The floats of the Carnival Society are nearing completion. They are elegantly put together, and the finishing work is that of an artist.

All Birmingham is in a great stir over the great days of fun and frolic which will be February 21 and 22.

Costumes for the parade and great Rex ball have been purchased, private firms have already made contracts for displays on an unthought of scale of grandeur, and the Carnival Society has made arrangements two grand parades which will far excell anything ever attempted in the South. The Rex ball on the night of February 22, will outrival anything that has ever been attempted in the South. The Auditorium ball room floor is being put in excellent condition for the great event. As is now arranged, the floor is just 100 feet square, and five hundred couples can dance upon it without inconvenience. The very best music will be furnished for the occasion, and this ball will be the talk of the South.

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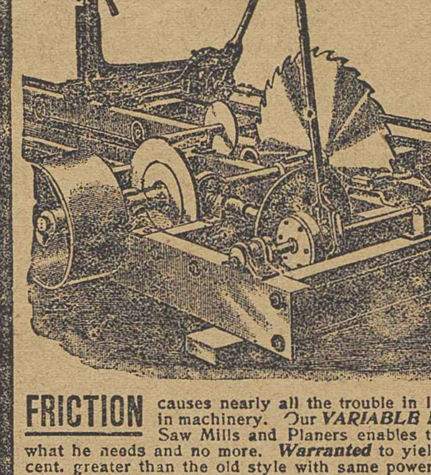

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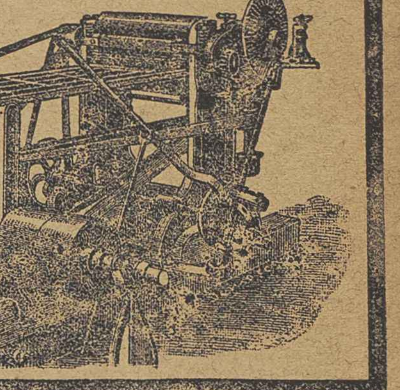

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By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 7th day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The north east quarter of the north east quarter of section 23, and the south half of the south half of the south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, except the following portions of said land heretofore sold off by John S. Storrs, to the parties named, and the rights-of-way of said parties of ingress and egress from their lots over said land to the public road, or any streets that may be opened most convenient to the same, to-wit: Alex Howel, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degress, west 30 feet, thence 3 degress, 30 west, 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degress west, 141 feet to a place of beginning; thence south 63 degress, west 150 feet to a point; thence north 40 degrees west, 290 feet, 6 inches to a point; thence north 63 degrees, east 150 feet to point, thence south 40 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to point of beginning, containing one (1) acre more or less, being the lands upon which the residence of said Alex Harvel is located. Smith Peoples, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degrees, west 30 feet; thence north 3 degrees "30," west 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degrees, west 141 feet to a place of beginning; thence north 60 degrees, east 150 feet to point; thence north 40 degrees, west 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence south 60 degrees, west 150 feet to point; thence south 40 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to place of beginning, containing one acre more or less, being land upon which said Smith Peoples residence is located. Puston McGhee and Joe Beasley: Commencing at the south east corner of north east quarter of north east quarter of north east quarter of section 23, township 22, range 1 west, run westerly 5 degrees, south 235 feet to point of beginning; thence north 578 feet 3 inches to point; thence west parallel with section line 208 feet 3 inches; thence south 278 feet 3 inches, thence easterly 208 feet 3 inches to point of beginning; said land embracing the residence of Joe Beasley and Puston McGhee and containing about two and one-half acres. P. B. Harrell: from the north east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 220 yards; thence west 35 yards to point of beginning; from this point run south 191 feet 5 inches; thence west 12 degrees, north 245 feet 4 inches, thence north 116 feet 9 inches; thence east 225 feet to point of beginning, containing 3,850 square yards more or less, also commencing at north west corner of above described land conveyed to Howell, run westerly 110 yards to point of beginning; thence westerly 202 degrees 5," thence back to point of beginning; thence south 116 feet 9 inches; thence west 23½ degrees north 229 feet. Henry Storrs: Commencing at the north east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 220 yards to point of beginning; thence south 200 feet; thence west 1 degree 45," north 105 feet 3 inches, thence north 19 feet 5 inches; thence east 105 feet to point of beginning, containing about 2,159 square yards.

The following portion of land is also reserved by the said grantors, to-wit: From the south east corner of the south east quarter of south quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degrees, west 30 feet to point of beginning; thence continue south 85 degrees, west 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence north 3 degrees 30," west 150 feet to a point: thence north 85 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence south 3 degrees 30," east 150 feet to a place of beginning, containing one acre more or less. Also the north east quarter of south west quarter of south east quarter; the north west quarter of south east quarter of south east quarter; the south west quarter of the north east quarter, the south east quarter of north west quarter of south east quarter, all in section 14, township 22, range 1 west, except four acres, which immediately surrounds the house in which W. R. Carter resides, which said four acres are hereby described as follows, to-wit: Block No. 8 of the land and town lots of the Shelby Land Company as shown on the map and plan of survey of the land and town lots of the Shelby Land Company. Also the south west qvarter of the north east quarter of section 6, township 24, range 15 east. Also part of south east quarter, section 14, township 22, range 1 west. Part of north east quarter of north east quarter, section 23, township 22, range 1 west, and south west quarter of north east quarter of section 6, township 24, range 15 east Also excepting Blocks 7, 11, 12 and 13, also lots No. 1, 2 and 3 in Block No. 20, lots No. 1, 2, 3 and 4, in Block No. 28, lots No. 7, 3 and 16 in Block No. 27, lots No. 3, 4 and 5 in Block No. 31, lots No. 7 and 8 in Block No. 35.

All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of Shelby Land Comyany, to satisfy said Fi. Fas. in my hand in favor of Browne & Leeper and John Storrs.

This 31st day of January, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 21st day of February, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One third undivided interest in south half of north east quarter sec. 36, tp. 21 range 4 west, and entire interest in west half of south west quarter sec. 13, and west half of north west quarter and north east quarter of south west quarter sec. 12, also the following land commencing at a point where the south boundry line of north west quarter of sec. 12, tp. 21 range 3 west, crosses South & North railroad, thence running 500 feet, thence north 1005 feet, to a point 210 feet from railroad right-of-way, thence east 210 feet to said right-of-way, thence 1005 feet along said right-of-way to point of beginning, and the south east quarter of south east quarter of sec. 11. One third undivided interest in north west quarter of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, north east quarter of north east quarter of sec. 1, tp. 22 range 4 west, and entire interest in house and lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, known as lot No. 455, according to Davis Plot, of said town lots of land in said town heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of Mrs. Annie E. Vaughn, one half interest in lots 1-2-3 and 4 in the town of Calera, Alabama, being the property heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of W. D. Huggins, and the third interest in north west quarter of north east quarter, and east half of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, and entire interest in one lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore known as the Mostello Saloon lot, and which was heretofore purchased of J. C. Adler by W. E. Brinkerhoff, also lot No. 465 in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore purchased of Mathes & Co., by W. E. Brinkerhoff, and machinery in lease described in book of deeds 20, and now in possession of T. R. Wagner.

All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of W. E. Brinkerhoff, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of Lubralim Oil Company and J. L. Dit Foundry Company.

This 20 day of January, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed schedule in Effect January 16, 1898.

	No. *20	STATIONS.	No. *19	
....	3.25pm	lv...Selma...ar	11 28am	....
....	5.11pm	...Montevallo..	9.25am	....
....	7.55pm	ar. Brm'ham .lv	6.45am	....
No. †26	No. §28	STATIONS.	No. †25	No. §27
4.20am	5.45am	lv .Akron...ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	6.41am	..Greensboro...	5.25pm	5.37pm
7.25am	7.49am	....Marion....	3.30pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.30am	...Marion Jct..	2.35pm	3.4 pm
9.50am	9.50am	ar...Selma...lv	1.50pm	3.00pm
No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
....	7.25pm	lv.New O'l's.ar	8.30am	....
....	5.30am	lv..Meridian..ar	9.50pm	....
....	6.25am	......York..	8.40pm	....
....	7.32am	.Demopolis...	7.45pm	....
....	8.13am	ar .Uniont'n. lv	7.04pm	....
....	8.46am	..Marion Jct.	6.11pm	....
....	9.28am	ar Selma lv	5.43pm	....
3.25pm	9.35am	lv Selma ar	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.26am	...Montevallo	3.39pm	9.25am
....	11.40am	...Calera....	[illegible]	....
....	12.01pm	Columbiana..	3.06pm	....
....	12.32pm	.Childersburg.	2.37pm	....
....	1.22pm	Talladega.	2.03pm	....
....	2.03pm	Oxford.	1.25pm	....
....	2.16pm	..Anniston.	1.09pm	....
....	2.40pm	..Jacksonville..	12.38pm	....
....	3.05pm	.Piedmont...	12.15pm	....
....	3.57pm	..Cave Springs..	11.24am	....
....	4.35pm	.....Rome.	10.45am	....
....	10.40pm	ar Atlanta lv	7.50am	....

†26	*38	*36	STATIONS	*35	*37	†25
am	am	pm		am	pm	pm
....	6.00	4.15	lv ..Birm'ham ar	11.45	10.00	....
....	7.12	5.23	.... Pell City....	10.25	8.46	....
....	8.10	6 30	.... Anniston.....	9.15	7.42	....
....	8.19	6.55	.....Oxford......	9.07	7.32	....
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STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome........		4.45pm
Lv Knoxville........	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown..	9.50am	10.55pm
Ar Hot Springs....	11.45am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.39am
Ar Salisbury........	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro........	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	....	5.25pm
Ar Washington........	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York........	12.43pm	6.23am

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STATIONS.	No. 9
Lv Rome........	4.45pm
Ar Chattanooga........	7.30pm
Ar Cincinnati........	7.20am
Ar Louisville........	7.27am

No 9 Pullman Sleeping car Rome to Cincinnati and Chattanooga to Louisville without change.

STATIONS.	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta........	12.00pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte........	8.20pm	9.00am
Ar Danville........	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg........	1.58am	3.55pm
Ar Charlottesville........	3.30am	5.45pm
Ar Washington........	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar Baltimore........	8.00am	11.25pm
Ar Philadelphia........	10.15am	2.55am
Ar New York........	12.43pm	6.23am

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Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Emeline Searight and Mariah Sanders, reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weaks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. McMILLAN,
Judge of Probate.

jan. 20-3.

Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator.

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SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

John S. Leeper spent Sunday in Calera.

50 mackerel for one dollar at J. H. Hammond's.

N. A. Graham, of Calera, was in the city Monday.

Big bottle snuff for 10 cents at J. H. Hammond's.

H. C. Hale, of Saginaw, was in the city Saturday.

Rev. J. E. Bird, of Longview, spent Saturday in the city.

John W. Moore, of Sterrett, was in the city a little while Monday.

Heinz's Best Krout and bulk pickles, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

Miss Lucy Smith returned last Saturday to her school at Maylene.

O. O. Bird and Walter Seale, of Shelby, spent Sunday in the city.

Rufus Lester and lady spent Monday with relatives on Yellow Leaf.

T. F. Farrell spent Sunday with relatives and friends on Yellow Leaf.

Mrs. W. G. Parker visited relatives in Anniston several days this week.

Flour is down, go to J. H. Hammond's and find out how much.

J. C. Marcus, of Clanton, spent last week in this city visiting his many friends.

Messrs. W. B. Browne, J. T. Leeper and H. Fox attended the show at Calera Tuesday.

W. P. Thomas left yesterday for Six Mile and Centerville to visit relatives and friends.

Do you want a good home, convenient to a good free school? If so, call at this office.

Misses Pearl and Linnie Seals spent part of Sunday and Monday at Birmingham Junction.

Miss Ida Williams, of Birmingham, is the guest of Miss Hattie Harrell, on East College street.

Onion sets by the quart, gallon or bushel, cheaper than the cheapest, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

Clarence and Catharine Smith left last Thursday to visit their aunt, at DeFuniak Springs, Fla.

I sell Heinz's pure apple vinegar and give you a jug to put it in.
J. H. Hammond.

W. J. Seale and lady, of Childersburg, spent Sunday and Monday in our city visiting relatives.

Tobacco at 25 cents per pound by the caddy at
J. H. Hammond.

The Advocate regrets to state that Dr. A. T. Rowe is still seriously ill at his residence in this city.

Judge D. R. McMillan and H. S. Nelson, Sr., are attending the "Good Roads" convention at Anniston.

Rev. S. N. Burns occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church Sunday night and gaveus an excellent sermon.

Mr. Ed. Williamson, the popular agent and operator of the Southern R. R. at Wilsonville, was in the city Monday.

Messrs. W. W. and Brasher Walls, of Birmingham, were in the city Tuesday as witnesses in the Adams Nelson cow case.

Miss Nellie Parker, having recovered from her late illness, returned Sunday to the Industrial School at Montevallo.

The many friends of George E. Mason were delighted to see him on the streets again Saturday, after a month's tussel with LaGrip.

The Teachers' Institute advertised for last Friday, at Four Mile, was postponed on account of the inclement weather.

How is this for high? A 10 pound caddy of tobacco for $2.30.
J. H. Hammond.

Mr. Z. C. Crowson, of beat 9, was in the city Tuesday, and while here called at the Advocate office and paid up his subscription. Thank you, brother Crowson.

Mr. B. Taylor Smith, General Agent of the Washington Life Insurance Company, is in the city this week interviewing our citizens on the subject of life insurance.

For the next 20 days I will sell 2 packages of garden seed for 5 cents, and 10 cent packages for 5 cents. These seed are fresh and genuine.
J. H. Hammond.

The Adams-Nelson cow case came up again Tuesday on a writ of detinue sued out by Adams before Judge Moore. Quite an array of witnesses were examined, and the court decided in favor of the plaintiff. The case will probably be appealed.

Another Good Man Gone.

Death has again invaded our fair land, and with ruthless hand, cut down one of our honored citizens full of years and noble deeds.

Rev. John McGiboney, son of David and Elizabeth McGiboney, having lived in Shelby county since the year 1844, died at his home near Columbiana on the morning of Feb. 12th, 1898, in the 86th year of his age. He was licensed to preach in 1843, and retained and honored his high commission, as a local preacher in the Methdist E. Church, South, throughout his long and laborious life. He lived in the esteem of his brethren and countrymen, because he was a man of probity, integrity and charity.

The funeral was conducted from his house. Rev. S. N. Burns, his pastor, conducted the funeral service at the residence, which was attended dy a large congregation of friends and kindred, who came to pay a tribute of public respect to the memory of the deceased, and also to sympathize with the bereaved family. The hymn, Servant of God, well done, was sung, after which the ritual lessons of scripture were read, and the minister preached using the text:

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, immovable," etc. 1. Cor. 15-58. Then was sung Home of the Soul, after which the brethren of the Masonic Fraternity took charge of the mortal remains, and bore them to the burial in the cemetery at Columbiana, where the obsequies were concluded by the interment of the body with the Grand Honors of Free and Accepted Masons.

I. D Mason, W M., conducted the Masonic burial service, assisted by the brethren, Rev. H. M. Millstead, Chaplain.

Brethren from Shelby and Wilsonville were in attendance.

So is gathered to the garner above another of our most worthy citizens, who, like the good grain in full shock, goes from us to the Father's house above, and his "works do follow him."

In Memoriam.

Died, at her step-father's home, Mr. Frank Green, at 8 p. m. on the 11th inst, Miss Roxie Findley, aged 17 years. She was one of our charming young ladies. She was confined to her bed about six weeks. She professed faith in Christ last summer and joined the Baptist church at Harpersville, and has lived an upright, christian life since that time. She was hopeful to the last. She always made all around her bright and happy. Her remains were laid to rest in Harpersville cemetery at 4 p. m., Sunday.

Weep not for her, dear mother,
Nor shed a single tear,
For God, her Heavenly Father,
Will always hover near.

A Fsiend.

Vincent, Ala., Feb. 13, '98.

Free Invitation.

To-night at 7:30 everybody, and especially all the members of the Methodist church in Columbiana, are earnestly urged to attend the prayer meeting and hear an interesting report on the work of the parsonage, and to discuss some further measures in prosecuting the enterprise. No public collection will be taken unless the Lord should put it into the heart of some one to make a public contribution. Let us attend the prayer service in the spirit and joy of true disciples.

Samuel N. Burns.

Card of Thanks.

I desire to extend to our kind friends and neighbors, our hearty thanks and appreciation for the untiring help and loving sympathy given during the last illness of my husband, and in our sad bereavement.

Mrs. Nancy McGiboney.

Indefinitely Postponed.

We are requested, by the ladies of the Baptist church, to state that their oyster supper, advertised for to morrow night, has been indefinitely postponed.

A. M. Elliott is on the sick list this week.

Dr. J. J. DuBose, of Sterrett, was in the city Monday.

Mrs. I. W. Baily, of Calera, is visiting relatives in the city.

Walter Adams left yesterday for his home at Fort Payne, Ala.

S. B. Strickland and family, of Fourmile, spent Sunday with relatives and friends in the city.

Mrs. Ada Jones, of near Simmon's Switch, visited relatives in the city several days this week.

The social given Monday evening at the residence of W. M. Calohan, was quite a success and much enjoyed by those in attendance.

The business of J. H. Hammond has increased to such an extent that he has been compelled to add another room to his store. And yet some will continue to say that advertising does not pay.

Messrs. W. G. Parker, J. W Pitts and F. W. Gist are attending the "Good Roads" convention at Anniston. Mr. Parker went up Tuesday, and Messrs. Pitts and Gist yesterday.

Vincent.

"Who are you, anyway?" Ask Mr. Jim to explain that quotation.

W. J. Florey and bride were up from Harpersville Sunday.

Whose "playhouse" was shattered Sunday afternoon and finished Sunday night?

The Harpersville Belles spent Sunday among us, and the young men from that town couldn't wait for them to return home, but had to call on them up here. Now, boys, you shouldn't be so selfish—why not give our boys a chance.

We are having some pretty spring weather now.

Our "Chap" escorted the "kids" to church Sunday night.

Rev. R. A. Kidd preached two sermons at the Baptist church morning and evening.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott will preach at the Baptist church Sunday night, the weather permitting.

Chairman Vandiver, who has gone to the bad, was in this community a few days ago hunting for republican-democratic kickers, but failed to find a single kicker.

J. M. Brown, of Wilsonville, was up here recently hunting for kickers, but failing to find any one to join his and Hardy's band of kickers, he returned to Wilsonville.

Mr. Sam H. Collins, of Vandiver, was in the city the other day. He is around sympathizing with Dink Pope and J. D. Hardy. Sam, you mark our prediction, Hardy will get the democratic boodle divide with Vandiver, and you and Dink may go to the d—l. Now watch if it don't pan out that way.

HONOR ROLL VINCENT FREE SCHOOL.

Seventh Grade—Miss Nellie Kidd.

Sixth Grade—Edgar Kidd.

Fifth Grade—Loda Davis, Opal Kidd, Oscar McGraw, Marvin Vincent.

Fourth Grade—Laura Elliott, May Bell, Bettie Sims, Nannie Davis, Reed Todd, Lulie Elliott, May Chandler, Annie Williams, Otis Evans, Nesta Carter, Ethel Bilbry.

Third Grade—Jno. Kidd, Willie Elliott, Walter Elliott, Olive Williams.

Second Grade—Jesse Fullinwider.

First Erade—Ed. Todd, Ludie Williams.

Cobb Blows.

Health of community good.

Well, Mr. Editor, I come again to be one of your correspondents.

The farmers of this section are busy sowing oats.

Mr. H. E Archer made a business trip to Wilsonville and Columbiana this week.

Dr. W. S. Bradley, of Birmingham, has been visiting in our community a few days this week. Come again, Doctor, we are always glad to see you.

Mr. L. A. Bradley, of Four Mile, was visiting in our community this week.

We hear that one of our boys returned home Sunday night with a sad heart. How about it, C. M.?

We cannot tell what's up. H. N. is visiting Four Mile, occasionally.

Say, B. A. P., how about having to walk home the other night from Harpersville? You had better stay away from there, for there is no telling what will follow you on your next trip.

Say, H. N., we do not see you going to the post office so often since Mrs. Logan has moved away. Anything wrong?

L. B. Riddle was up from Four Mile looking after a school at Cobb last week.

Cobb postoffice was discontinued on the 31st ultimo. We were sorry to lose the office as well as its valuable postmaster.

Blockhead.

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WEAVER PLACE
on the Mountain, with 22 acres of land attached. The house cost five times the amount asked for the place.
Call at The Advocate Office for further particulars.

Wilsonville Items.

There is some sickness in our little town at prese t.

Rev. A. E. Burns, the new pastor, preached an able sermon at the Baptist church Sunday.

The oyster supper by the Methodist ladies Friday night was a success. The music by the Darling boys was splendid.

The farmers are having some fine weather for plowing, and they are making good use of it.

The Darling Bro's made about thirty-eight dollars while in this community and at Columbiana. When you give to the boys, you are doing a good deed.

Bob McEwen killed a mad dog Friday, but not before it had bitten several dogs and other animals, five dogs, one goat, one cow and one rooster chicken, all in two miles of Wilsonville.

Miss Beulah Stuart is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert McEwen this week.

We are sorry to hear of the serious illness of Miss Ida Farr, near Blue Spring. Hope she will soon be restored to perfect health.

Mrs. Eva McEwen has been very sick the past week, but I am glad to say she is now convalescing.

Mr. Editor, the populists in this beat are all O K. We are always ready to do what we can for our party. We will elect our men. Just think of it—a populist Probate Judge in Shelby, and Clerk—ha ha. Then things will be getting right, won't they, brother?

Success to the Advocate and all the candidates, for I may be one myself, some day. Bat.

Rehobeth.

Local items are scarce at this writing.

Beautiful weather and the farmers are hustling to get their oats sown.

Clearing new ground is the order of the day in this section.

Wonder why our genial friend, Mr. James Anderson, cannot ride a mule and tote a sack of turnip greens?

Miss Dallas Posey visited relatives down at the big spring last week.

C. H. Davis and family spent Sunday with Will Garrett and family.

Miss Fannie Franklin is preparing to have an exhibition at the close of her school.

Prof. Holmes has left the "dear ones" on Wolf Creek to shoot ideas alone.

Several ladies and gentlemen from Sterrett were in our vicinity Sunday.

Samuel Simms and Will Jennings were in our settlement Monday, on business.

The wedding bells have rang again on Kelley's Creek, and Madam Rumor has it going that they will ring again soon.

The writer has been informed thar Geo. Holmes is visiting down at the railroad very often now. Reporter wishes you a successful campaign, dear George. When the car load of monkeys pass by let me know, old boy.

Populism isn't near dead in this section yet, and we hope to see Hon. M. W. Howard, the populist nominee, for governor, We believe Mr. Howard will stand by the laboring man, and as long as he will plead and labor for our best interests, we will follow him to a man, even into hades itself.

When things don't go to suit you,
And the world seems up side down,
Don't waste your time in fretting,
But drive away those frowns.

Reporter.

No cure—No pay.

That is the way all druggists sell Grove's tasteless chill tonic for malaria, chill and fever. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by
Hall Drug Co.
July 15, 1y.

Announcement.

Candidates wishing Republican suppoat will do well to make it known through the columns of the Alabama Time Piece, Aldrich, Alabama, the only Republican organ of Shelby.

No Cure--No Pay.
That is the way Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil is sold for Barbed Wire Cuts, Burns, Scratches, Cracked Heel, Saddle Galls, Old Sores and all kinds of inflamations on man or beast. Price 25 cents. For sale by,
HALL DRUG CO.
July 21, 1y.

Farmer Points

The health of our community is some better this week than it was last.

The farmers are beginning to till the soil preparatory for another crop, principally corn. They say they don't want any "limbless" cotton, but must have more hog and hominy. One of our brother farmers says if he can make the hominy he can eat O'possum if his hogs die, and I don't reckon it would make much difference. He has a stock of hogs that are just about equal to the O'possum in size—that's the little Guina stock. How about it? Mr. H. A. W.

We learn that Mr. N. N. Mosteller is talking about attaching his meat mill to his machinery and manufacture some of the hog and hominy raised into sausage for them. I see where he is right. Then he can have sausage on his table every meal if he does not tole too heavy.

Mr. D. M. Merrell was in town last Monday and purchased him a new stove, the "Little Dandy," to cook his meat on.

Now Sager, if you want a square meal, and one prepared in first-class order, just come down and go with me and I'll insure you get it. And, more than that—you'll see some of the most charming, fair damsels you ever laid your two peeping eyes on.

I can say that the Farmer community can't be beat for good society, pretty girls, and rough, huge looking boys. But they make a plenty to eat and to wear and that's the thing girls go by.

The dance given to the young people by Mr. Henry Caldwell last Monday night, was reported by all who attended to be a grand success and everything went on nicely.

We learn that Misses Martha and Rosa Merrell and their brother, John, and Mr. Alvis Lovett were the guests of Misses Roxie and Ada Curlee Sunday.

Mr. Ed. McCane crossed over the river last Sunday, dear hunting. We have not heard whether he found one or not, but guess he was on a hot track—he was late coming in at night. How about it, Mr. Ed?

We learn that the young people of this community have organized a class, and will have a singing at Pine Flat church the fourth Sunday evening before and after services, by Rev. Mr. Burns. We are glad to see them take a step in that way, and hope they will all turn out and take a part in the singing.

Prof. E. R. Newman closed his school last Thursday, in order that he might attend the Teachers' Institute to be held at Fourmile. The Professor has taught three months and has conducted his school nicely, and did it with kind and gentle means. He, in closing his school, discussed several important topics to his pupils. During the whole term he never showed any partiality, the children all seemed to become attached to him and he to them, and there seems to be an abundance of friendship and love existing between the Professor and his pupils. They all cordially invited him to come to see them, and we are inclined to think that the Professor wants an excuse to come back anyhow. How about it, Prof?

Rope.

More tobacco for 10 cents sold here than anywhere else.
J. H. Hammond.

MARDI GRAS

Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 22, 1898. Reduced Rates Via Southern Railway.

On account of the Mardi Gras Carnival at Memphis, Tenn., February 22, 1898, the Southern Railway will sell tickets from points on its lines, in the state of Alabama, to Memphis, Tenn., at rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold February 20th and 21st, with final limit February 25th 1898.

Call on any agent of the Southern Railway for further information.

Mardi Gras, Birmingham, Ala., February 22nd 1898. Reduced Rates via Southern Railway.

On account of the Mardi Gras carnival at Birmingham, Ala., February 22nd, 1898, the Southern Railway will sell tickets from all points on its lines to Birmingham, at rate of one fare for the round-trip.

Tickets will be sold February 16th to 21st inclusive, limited to return to March 5th 1898.

Call on any agent of the Southern Railway for further information.

NOTICE!

We are now prepared to extend to the People of this Community any line of Credit they may desire, in Merchandise or Cash, from Fifty Dollars and up. No cash loans or agreement for Merchandise will be made less than Fifty Dollars to any party, and same must be secured by mortgage or note. No open accounts will be carried under any circumstances.

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Our buyer, Sam Lefkovits, will leave for Baltimore and New York on the 15th of February, to purchase an entire line of Spring and Summer Goods. So you may look out for Bargains, and if we can serve any of our customers with Special Orders, we will be glad to receive them at our store for the next 30 days.

RESPECTFULLY,
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Columbiana, Alabama.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

WILLIAMS BROTHERS,
Columbiana, Ala.

Nothing Succeeds, Like Success.

We sell all of the leading medicines that Purifies the Blood, give tone to the stomache, aids digestion and assimiltes the food. We make a specialty of Pattent Medicines and Staple Drugs, Paints, Oils and Toilet Articles.

Prescription Department.

Our prescription department is also complete with a Full Line of High Grade Fluid Extracts, Tinctures, etc. Prescriptions carefully compounded from the Purest of Drugs.

We earnestly solicit your patronage, and will always save you some money when possible to do so.

RESPECTFULLY,
Hall Drug Company,
Columbiana, Ala.

Saginaw Dots.

Messrs. Thos. Farrell and John Hale, of Columbiana, were in this community Sunday.

Mr. Green and family, of Jemison, visited relatives here Tuesday.

Miss Summner Henly, of Chilton county, visited relatives in the city last week.

Rev. Mr Carter, of East Lake, filled his regular appointment here and at Longview Sunday.

Mr. H. C. Fulton contemplates moving to Helena,

Miss M. A. Hale visited the family of L. P. Arnold, of Longview, Tuesday, and enjoyed hearing some nice music.

Miss Frank Wells is visiting relatives at Clanton this week.

Mrs. Jeff Jones' baby is not expected to live through another night.

Miss A. M. Piper, of Walnut Crossing, spent Wednesday in this place.

J. B. Harless has moved back to Birmingham.

Mr. Willett, of Bozeman, has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Smitherman.

There must be something very attractive about Columbiana for two of our boys, judging from the number of their visits.

We learn that H. C. Hale and E. R. Piper attended the Institute at Four Mile Friday and Saturday.

Amos Fulton, of Leonard's Mill, is seen very often at Saginaw. Watch out, boys.

C. C. Hale transacted business in Columbiana Friday.

Prodi[illegible]or.

DR. W. A. LOVETT,
DENTIST.

IS NOW PERMANENTLY LOCATED IN COLUMBIANA.
Office, Room 2 Central Hotel (First floor front.)

Prices as low as is consistent with good work. Satisfaction guaranteed. Patronage from neighboring towns and country olicited.
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Notice No. 19518.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Ruben Gilliam, Homestead entry No. 25,745, for the NW¼ of NE¼, NE¼ of NW¼, sec. 34, tp. 19 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Quito, Ala., John W. Walker, Highland, Ala., Andrew N. Wilson, Highland, Ala., Rufus M. Acton, Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19519.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Homestead entry No. 26,748, for the NE¼ of SW¼, sec. 6, tp. 20 south of range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ruben T. Gilliam, Quito, Ala., Paul Nabors, William Payne, Henry C. Ta[illegible], all of Pelham, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

The Fancy Work Girl.

"Where have you been lately?" asked the athletic girl.

"Been at home," said the fancy-work girl, "working on some new throws."

"Do you mean to tell me," said the athletic girl, "that you have gone in for base-ball?"—Indianapolis Journal.

A Costly Orchid.

One of the most beautiful orchids was recently exhibited in London. It was a white flower, shaped like a sea-gull with outspread wings, and a gold and vermillion heart. It came from Venezuela, and cost $5,000.

James Nasmyth.

James Nasmyth, of Edinburgh, the inventor of the steam-hammer, was a man of extraordinary energy and genius; and being ambidextrous, he was able to draw or sketch or handle a hammer or chisel with either hand. The laboratory or workshop in his own home he called "Fireside." Even though sitting in church, when a new idea came across his brain he rose and walked off to his workshop, and made a drawing, or, in order to preserve it in form, he would either forge it in iron or make a wooden pattern.

Flowers Answered Both Purposes.

A certain young widow of Indianapolis who had just changed her weeds for brighter hues gave a dinner party not long ago. The rooms were decorated with a great profusion of flowers. Roses in masses were on the mantels and the dinner table fairly blossomed—in fact, the abundance of flowers was unusual. One of the guests could restrain her curiosity no longer, and when the dessert was brought in said: "Well, Mrs. Blank, you're rather spreading on the flowers to-night." "Yes," replied the fair widow brightly, "but to-morrow I am going to take them out to Crown Hill and put them on poor Tom's grave."

During the progress of the Thellusson will case, which benefited several generations of lawyers, one of the counsel employed suggested that something should stand over "till the day of judgment." Said Richard Bethell, who also appeared in the case—he was subsequently Lord Chancellor Westbury—"Will not that be a very busy day?"—Household Words.

The Professional Term for It.

"That spindly young man of yours, Laura," said the base-ball magnate to his lovely child, "has been flirting outrageously with the Van Snickersee girl."

"That's all right, papa," replied the charming young woman, "I have given him an unconditional release."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A man can't control his heart affairs any easier than he can control an appetite for smoking.

A Red Handed Murderer.

Tetterine kills the germs of Tetter, Eczema, Salt-Rheum, Ringworm and other skin diseases. Most of these are caused by the existence of infinitesimal anamalculae. Tetterine murders them at once and stops the agonizing itch, then it soothes and heals the skin. At drug stores, or by mail for 50 cents in stamps. J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

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Can largely increase their income by placing their accounts in my hands. Twenty years of Wall Street experience, in addition to reliable INSIDE INFORMATION, enables me to advise you most successfully. Write for particulars, which are interesting to those having money to invest. CHARLES HUGHES, Investment Broker, 63 Wall Street, New York City.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except in prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure to get the genuine. It is taken internally, and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

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Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Are warranted. They produce! We are the largest growers in America. Lowest prices. Seed Potatoes only $1.50 per barrel. Big farm seed catalogue with clover and grain samples (worth $10.00 to get a start) sent you by the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., upon receipt of 10c. postage. A. C. 9

Prince Aloys Leichtenstein, leader of the Christian Socialist party in Australia, is dying from blood poisoning, and his wife has gone blind.

Use "C C C" Certain Chill Cure.

Best in the world. CERTAIN CURE CO., Evansville, Ind.

Miss Florence Higgins has been elected to the chair of oratory in the Northern Indiana College of Law.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Statistics collected by Prof. McCook, of Trinity college, showed that of 1,300 tramps questioned, 65 per cent were of American parentage. There were 272 Irishmen among them. Only seventy were married.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

Charles H. J. Taylor, formerly United States minister to Liberia, has started a new movement, by which he hopes to join the negroes of the country in one party—the Afro-American party.

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free Dr. R.H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has saved me many a doctor's bill.—S. F. HARDY, Hopkins Place, Baltimore, Md., Dec. 2, 1894.

Pain in the Side

Could Not Do Hard Work Until Hood's Sarsaparilla Cured.

"I had a severe pain in my left side and could not do any hard work. My husband got me a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla and I began taking it and soon I was able to do my work. I was also troubled with scrofula sore throat, but Hood's Sarsaparilla has cured this." MRS. EMMA PEPPER, North Hudson, N. Y. Remember

Hood's Sarsa-parilla

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Hood's Pills cure sick headache. 25c.

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CURES WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Cough Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists.
CONSUMPTION
25 CTS.

HON. JOHN W. TOMLINSON,

State Chairman of the Democratic National Bimetallic Committee,

SPEAKS ON THE FINANCIAL QUESTION.

"The Flag So Gallantly Run up at Chicago in 1896 Must Not be Pulled Down or Lowered For One Moment," Says Mr. Tomlinson.

Livingston, Ala., Feb. 11.—The democratic silver conference held here today was a great success, every beat in the county being represented; and a large audience listened to a very able speech on the currency question by Hon. John W. Tomlinson, state chairman of the Democratic National Bimetallic committee.

The meeting was held at the court house, and was called to order by C. H. Allen, editor of the Sumter Sun. A silver club was organized and great enthusiasm was manifested throughout the meeting. I. R. McElroy, of Cuba, offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we do now organize the 16 to 1 Democratic club of Sumter county, with L. P. Neal as president and C. H. Allen as secretary; with one vice-president for each beat in the county, to be appointed by the president of the club.

After Mr. Tomlinson's address Dr. M. B. Cameron, the only 16 to 1 straightout candidate for probate judge, made a short but effective speech, urging the necessity of standing by the Chicago platform.

On being made chairman, F. P. Neal introduced Mr. Tomlinson in a well worded speech, characterizing him as the uncompromising leader of the democracy of the state. For more than an hour and a half the gentleman entertained his hearers with a speech replete with logic and eloquence. At the conclusion he was loudly applauded and a vote of thanks was tendered him.

Mr. Tomlinson opened his speech by complimenting the democracy of the Black Belt. He said that men who had resisted black domination had the manhood to resist the domination of the enslaving gold standard. That never in the history of the great fight for silver's restoration were the prospects better for ultimate success.

After explaining the position of the different political parties on the question, he declared that the republicans were evasive and insincere, while the democrats by their aggressiveness for the coinage of gold and silver at 16 to 1 showed their sincerity.

Plans of the Parties

The speaker showed conclusively that the republican plan was to have only gold coinage supplemented with non-legal tender national bank currency to be issued or withdrawn at the will of the banker. That the plan further contemplated the non use as primary money of all the silver money now coined, which when carried out, as money measures property, would result in the reduction of all present prices and wages, uninfluenced by local conditions, at least one-half what they are now. Whereas the democratic party also recognizing the inadequacy of the gold supply for money purposes, proposes to supplement the deficiency by restoring the coinage laws of this country as they existed before 1873, which provided for the free and unlimited coinage of silver by this country at the existing legal ratio of 16 to 1; believing that money, the supply of which is regulated by Nature and not by man, is a fairer arbiter between debtor and creditor, and a more impartial medium of payment in the transaction of business of the world.

Reasons for 16 to 1

The reasons for adhering to the existing legal ratio of 16 to 1 are:

1. Because that is the natural ratio. The average production for centuries being, in weight, in that proportion; which is confirmed by the fact that the gold and silver coin of the world—the result of the coinage from the earliest times—Amounts to in round numbers the same, viz: $4,000,000,000 each. In the year 1896, the year of the great contest on the financial question, the world's production of gold and silver at the coinage value of 16 to 1, was exactly the same $215,000,000 each.

2. Because the bonded indebtedness of the United States was contracted payable in coin at the then present weight and fineness, which was gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; and to change the ratio, by enlarging the silver dollar, would be paying this debt beyond the legal and moral obligations involved.

3. Because the increasing of the ratio, by enlarging the silver dollar, would necessitate the recoining of all of the silver money in this country which, besides the expense thereof, would reduce the amount of silver dollars in exactly the same proportion that the ratio is increased, thereby producing contraction instead of expansion and defeating the very purpose of silver's restoration—more money.

4. Because it would put us farther away than ever from international agreement, as the European ratio is only 15½ to 1.

5. Because 16 to 1 is not only a principle but a programme on which the democratic, the populist and the silver republican parties are united, to abandon which would be to go from the strait road of fixed purpose to the open field of uncertainty and confusion that would likely result in the adoption of a larger ratio and, as we have shown, defeat the very purpose of the law—more money.

Gold Supply Inadequate

The speaker further contended: The coinage of gold alone is not keeping, and cannot keep pace with increasing population and business so as to afford an adequate supply of the circulating medium for the transactions of business. Republicans admit this by proposing to supplement with national bank currency. That as gold had become more valuable, the more it was sought after and consumed in the arts, little being left for money. That since 1873 the population of the United States had nearly doubled; that the coinage of gold had not kept pace. That as the volume of money measures the price of property, products and labor, if the supply of gold was as great as the increase in population and business, the coined silver remained as redemption money, prices would remain the same; that if not as great, and the silver coined no longer used as redemption money, then prices would decline.

Volume Money Regulates Prices

Quantitative theory is correct and is the key to the temple of all knowledge on the currency question. That it was axiomatic in monetary science, on which all writers on political economy agree from the days of Aristotle down, that the amount of money fixes the value of the money. That on the number of dollars out depends the value of the dollar. That cut in half the amount of dollars and you double the value of the remaining dollars, or double the number of dollars you cut in half the value of the dollar. That when you say the value of the dollar is doubled you mean that it will buy twice as much of the products of human toil and of wages. That if the value of the dollar is worth one-half, that it will take only one-half the amount of the products of human toil and wages to get it.

Money Dearer, Prices Lower

That because of the dollar becoming dearer since the striking down of silver in 1873, prices have declined. That the French premier in a speech in the chamber of deputies recently explained that "with the same quantity of gold it is now possible to obtain a double quantity of products." That the general average of prices for a number of years, and not the price of one particular thing for one particular year, is valuable in establishing a general rule. That the index numbers of prices furnished by the Royal Statistical Society of London show general average of decline of more than 33 1-3 per cent. since 1873. That Prof. L. L. Price, of Oriel College, Oxford, says that in the light of converging lines of evidence it seems impossible to doubt the existence of a * * * connection between the recent fall of prices and the money changes of the last twenty years.

Bottom of Prices Not Reached

Mr. Tomlinson further showed from authors of unquestioned authority that the bottom of prices was not yet reached. That great economic changes are slow in taking effect.

He showed the condition of the agricultural laboring classes of England where children were put out at the tender years of 3½ to work under strange task-masters. But, he said, England had been on a gold basis since 1816, while this country had only been on a gold standard basis for less than a quarter of a century, and during part of that time with a limited coinage of silver.

He showed that the plan of the contractionists was not only to stop the coinage of silver but to do away with all of the silver now coined, which was one-half of the metallic money of the world; which, when accomplished, as money measures values, reduce the present values at least one-half where uninfluenced by local and other conditions; that the effect of this policy is being felt in the continuing fall in prices now, except in the manufactured products of the protected few.

Women and Children Must Work

That statistics show that 50 per cent. of the laboring people of this country now are unable to support the family without the wife and children working also, as got to be the case in England a good many years ago.

That domesticity is on the decrease, that there are fewer homes where "the love of country is born in the love of home."

To Debauch the Very Poor and to Use Them

He further showed that it is folly now to go in debt. That in the accomplishment of their purpose to do away with all silver money now in use, the extremely rich, as was the case on the decline of the Roman empire, are endeavoring to debauch the very poor, who must look, not to the future, but to their immediate necessities to satisfy the cries of hungry children. In this way it is attempted to debauch the very poor and to use them against the great middle classes who are to be defeated in this way.

Cato, the Wise, who made a visit to Carthage and beholding the insolence of the Carthagenians, on returning to Rome made a speech in which he said Romans must conquer the Carthagenians or the Carthagenians would conquer Rome; and after that in every speech he made he wound up with the same exhortation. We must conquer the gold standard or the gold standard will conquer us. The last contest was much closer than many supposed. Went in unorganized, came out an organized body; that very day the result was known the bugle note of renewed attack was sounded again along down the line, and led on by the gallant Bryan democracy had won in every contest since where it had stood firmly and aggressively by its principle.

Time is demonstrating the wisdom of the Chicago platform, not only on the money plank, but on all of the planks.

That Mexico is prospering under the double standard system of money; it is furnishing an object lesson to the world of the wisdom of true bimetallism. That while 400,000,000 people are under the gold standard, there are 900,000,000 who know nothing but silver—with whom mostly this country trades.

Fable of Wolf and Lamb

Mr. Tomlinson further contended that while the logic of events was proving the truth of the cause of democracy, yet to win democracy must fight, and continue to fight, and fight all along the line. That the gold standard people, like the wolf in the fable of the Wolf and the Lamb, would, if they could, have their dinner, the increments of an increasing dollar, in spite of all of our arguments; they are organized, aggressive, deceptive and misleading; and, unless watched, will in this state, under the plea of so-called "harmony" and under the plea "that in judicial fights the money question has no place," control our next democratic state convention, securing the state and county democratic executive committees so as to control the policy of the party in the great fight of 1900.

Help Those Who Help the Cause

That the policy of the silver advocates should be to help those who help the cause, and fight politically those who fight and sneer at the cause of silver; that any other course is illogical and unwise; that those who are earnestly in favor of silver will not put in the hands of others the club with which to fight silver; actions speak louder than words; those that are not for us are against us; those who profess to be for silver and work for the advocates of the gold standard in accomplishing their ends, are not fooling the people. When men say they are bimetallists, ask them if they are in favor of free coinage, second of unlimited coinage, third of independent coinage by this government, fourth at the existing legal rate of 16 to 1? If they answer, yes, then they are true bimetallists; otherwise, not.

Candidates for Solicitor

The speaker said, in proceeding with his speech, that he had heard that certain candidates for solicitor had been threatened that if they did not bring up their counties against silver in favor of certain candidates in the next state convention, that they would be beaten for solicitor in the next legislature. That, if this was true, these candidates should not be influenced thereby; that they should remember that the next legislature will be controlled by the advocates of silver's restoration, and that if candidates for solicitor think that they will help their cause before that legislature by bringing up counties against silver, in the next state convention, they read the times incorrectly.

Aggressiveness Against Aggressiveness

If the banks of this state feel it to their interest to continue to fight the farmers, continue to fight for the gold standard in the interest of non-resident bond holders and against the producing and laboring classes of the state so that values and wages keep going down and down, then, the next legislature should reduce the rate of interest. If the railroads and telegraph companies desire to continue to do the same thing, then, the next legislature should, as it has a right to do, put down railroad and telegraphic rates. If water and gas companies are disposed to do likewise, then, let water and gas charges come down accordingly.

Mr. Tomlinson further explained, however, that while the silver forces should be aggressive in standing up for their cause, yet, there should be no abuse; there should be no needless opposition aroused, and he told a story illustrating how men could be won over by the use of tact and good judgment. But, he said, there must be

No Compromise of Party Principles

There must be no compromise of the principles of the party; no smothering them even for the time being. That the majority of those who did not support the national ticket last fall are quietly coming back into the party without making demands, but that the few who are making demands are making them in vain. That two years ago these very people advocated fighting for principle; this year, they are advocating just the opposite.

That for democracy to win, it must continue to stand by its principle and be aggressive in obtaining substantial relief for the people; and in such a manner as to convince the people that the party is in earnest; to do which the party must build not upon the shifting sands of uncertain expediency, but upon the eternal rocks of everlasting principle; and the flag which was so gallantly run up at Chicago in 1896, must not be pulled down or lowered even for one brief moment.

Georgia Farmer Found Dead.

Bob Keith, aged about forty years, who resides at Dunns, Ga., was found dead near Cohutta Springs with his skull crushed. Several men with him the night previous, who say that he came to his death by being thrown from his horse, but others think it was foul play and that he was brutally murdered. Mr. Keith was a well-to-do farmer, and leaves a wife and eight small children.

Senor Du Bose is now acting minister of Spain at Washington.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS

The House—Wednesday.

The house to-day resumed the consideration of the Aldrich-Plowman contested election case from the Fourth Alabama district, with the understanding that a vote be taken at 4:30 p. m. to-day. Previous to the reopening of the debate the special deficiency appropriation bill passed, carrying $200,000 for the payment of juror's fees in the United States courts and $25,000 for witness fees.... Representative Sulzer attempted to secure recognition for the introduction in open house of a resolution to the effect that the Spanish minister be "given his passports and sent home in disgrace." He was cut off by the demand for the regular order.... The vote was then taken on the minority report of the Aldrich-Plowman case, which declared Mr. Plowman entitled to his seat. The motion was voted down by 124 to 145. Mr. Bailey demanded a division on the majority resolution declaring Mr. Plowman not entitled to the seat. The vote was 129 to 145. Party lines were strictly drawn upon this vote, except in the cases of Messrs. Bromwell (rep., O.) and Fowler (dem., N. J.), who were present and did not vote. The second resolution, declaring Mr. Aldrich entitled to his seat, was adopted by 143 to 132. Mr. Aldrich took the oath, and at 5:25 the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In anticipation of speeches to be delivered on the relations of the United States and Spain concerning the Cuban war the galleries of the senate were crowded at an early hour today. The resolution offered by Mr. Cannon of Utaw yesterday, urging the president to notify Spain that if it fail to recognize the independence of Cuba before March 4, next, this government would then recognize the belligerent rights of the Cubans and ninety days thereafter assert the independence of the Cuban republic, was laid before the senate, and Mr. Cannon was recognized to speak upon the resolution, who made an animated speech in support of the measure. Mr. Hale followed Mr. Cannon with a motion to refer the Cannon and Mason resolution to the committee on foreign relations and in support of the administration's policy. The resolutions were refered. Mr. Mason then took the floor in support of his resolution, after which the Senate adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The house was in a very bad temper today and the whole session was consumed in filibustering against two bills of minor importance. Neither got further than the engrossment and third reading. The trouble arose over the enforcement of the rule against the discussion of irrelevant subjects when Mr. Handy, democrat, of Delaware, attempted to reply on the floor during the consideration of those bills to a letter recently written by Mr. Thomas F. Bayard, secretary of state under the Cleveland administration, in denunciation of the free silver democracy. Roll call followed roll call all day long and partisan feeling reached a high pitch. Finally when it became evident no progress could be made with the bills presented, an adjournment was taken until Monday.

The Senate.

General William Booth, of England, founder of the Salvation army, officiated as chaplain at the opening today of the senate's session.... Mr. Frye reported favorably from the committee on commerce a bill to amend the laws relating to navigation. He said that as the proposed bill related only to Alaskan waters, it was necessary that prompt action should be taken. The bill was passed without division.... The Indian appropriation bill was then considered. Considerable discussion arose over an amendment proposed by the committee, providing "that hereafter no Indian, or tribe of Indians, shall lease for mining purposes lands that are not patented to said Indians." It was agreed to. In the course of discussion of an amendment offered by Mr. Thurston, Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, made a sharp attack upon the speaker of the house of representatives. He declared that it was impossible to secure the passage through the house of any meritorious measures because one man stood at the entrance of the caverns into which proposed legislation was dumped and would permit nothing to be done about that of which he did not approve. He said that "in the other end of the capitol this one man stands for 328, and his bold, unwarranted, undignified action was a disgrace to the congress and to the American people." The house then adjourned.

The Senate—Friday.

The senate today a joint resolution providing for a survey and to determine the practicability of opening a navigable channel through the southwest pass of the Mississippi river was passed.... Mr. Allen introduced a resolution directing the committee on foreign relations to inquire whether or not the yacht Buccaneer, owned by William R. Hearst, has been seized and is being held by the Spanish government. The resolution was agreed to.... The Indian appropriation bill was then taken up and the following amendment was adopted without discussion. It is as follows:

"That all settlers under the homestead laws of the United States upon the public lands acquired prior to the passage of this act by treaty or agreement from the various Indian tribes, who have or who shall hereafter reside upon the tract entered in good faith for the period required by existing law, shall be entitled to a patent for the land so entered upon the payment to the local land officers of the usual and customary fees and no other or further charge of any kind whatsoever shall be required from such settler to entitle him to a patent for the land covered by his entry, provided, that the right to commute such entry and pay for said lands, in the option of any settler and in the time and at the prices now fixed by existing laws, shall remain in full force and effect; provided, however, that all sums of money so released, which, if not released, would belong to any Indian tribe, shall be paid to such Indian tribe by the United States."

The amendments to the bill, which carries an appropriation of nearly $8,000,000, were agreed to, and as amended the bill was passed.... The senate then adjourned until Monday.

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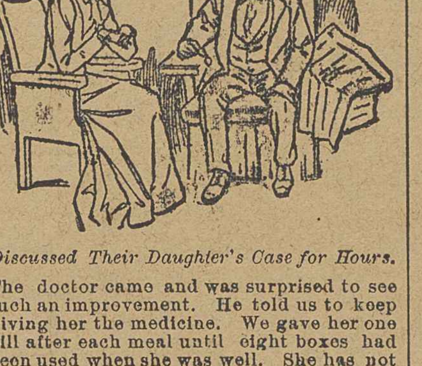

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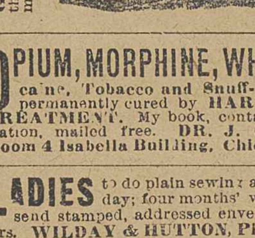

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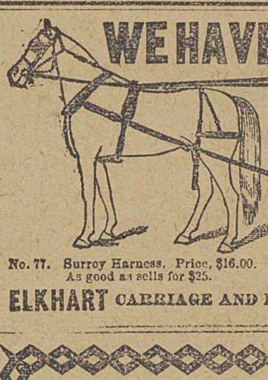

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF STATE NEWS.

THE GOOD ROADS CONVENTION WHICH MET IN ANNISTON ADOPTED A PLAN FOR BETTER ROADS IN ALABAMA.

Alabama Chapter of Confederacy's Daughters Will Establish a Home for Disabled Confederates—The Defunct Commercial Bank of Selma Will Pay 15 Per Cent to Depositors—Southern Iron Mill Men Can't Agree.

A PLAN FOR GOOD ROADS

Adopted by the Good Roads Convention Which Met in Anniston.

The Alabama state good roads convention which met in Anniston has adjourned. The most important action of the convention was the adoption of the report of the committee on permanent organization and the election of officers of the "Good Roads Association of Alabama." The following is the report of that committee:

Resolved, That this convention declare itself a permanent body and adopt the following for its government: That its name shall be the "Good Roads Association of Alabama;" that the association elect as permanent officers a president and nine vice-presidents, who shall hold office for one year or until their successors are elected; that the president with the vice-presidents shall constitute a board of management, five of whom shall be a quorum; that this board shall elect a secretary and treasurer of the board, who shall be the medium of communication; that the board shall appoint for each county a suitable person as corresponding secretary for the county, and through whom all correspondence shall be had; that the vice-president of the district shall have charge of and organize the counties of his district.

The Scope and Plan.

That the board of management prepare and publish an address setting forth the scope and plan of this work and ask of the several boards of revenue or county commissioners a contribution from the several counties for an expense fund; that the board of management be charged with the duty of securing such legislation as will give needed relief; that in the event of a vacancy or declination of any officer the board of management shall have the right to fill the same.

The organization of the "Good Roads Association of Alabama" was perfected and the following officers elected:

President, Dr. T. W. Ayers, editor of the Anniston Daily Hot Blast.

One vice-president from each congressional district, as follows: Geo. E. Sage, Mobile; J. M. Falkner, Montgomery; J. M. Carmichael, Ozark; John A. Edwards, Talladega; Morgan M. Smith, Autaugaville; A. P. Smith, Eutaw; S. W. Riddle, Gadsden; Milton Humes, Madison; Geo. I. Young, Birmingham.

The Plan Recommended.

The report of the committee of eleven outlined the plan of work. The committee recommends that the constitution of the state of Alabama be so amended to allow county boards of commissioners or revenue to levy a property tax for the construction, improvement and maintenance of public roads and bridges. That no man liable to work the public roads be allowed to pay not more tax than $5 nor work over ten days. That this per capita tax may be discharged in labor on the public roads of the county at the rate of forty to fifty cents per day. That the commissioners' courts or boards of revenue be authorized to issue bonds in such sums as the commissioners' court may decide to be necessary. Proceeds of such bonds to be used exclusively in building public roads or bridges or repairing same. No bond to be issued, however, without the approval or ratification of such issue by a majority vote at an election to be held for the purpose of testing the issuance of such bonds. And we further recommend that the limits of age of road workers be from 18 to 45 years.

Will Pay 15 Per Cent to Depositors.

At Selma Friday evening Clerk and Register Evans filed a partial report on the Commercial Bank cases. The assignees of the bank have collected $87,906.39. In his report, the clerk says 15 per cent can safely be paid to depositors, making in all 30 per cent saved from the wreck.

Southern Iron Men Can't Agree.

Representatives of several southern iron furnaces met at Birmingham and an effort was made to prevent cutting prices and to agree upon a fixed price for pig iron. The smaller furnaces refused to enter into any binding agreement, and the matter of organizing to maintain prices was necessarily abandoned for the present.

Aged Cousin of General Lee Dead.

Major Allen Lee, aged 88 years, died suddenly at Valley Head last week. Major Lee was an officer in the Mexican war and in the war of the rebellion. He was a cousin of General Lee and grandfather of Dr. J. B. Lee, of Chattanooga.

Big Bi-Product Plant for Birmingham.

A syndicate of capitalists will within the next ninety days begin the construction of a bi-product plant in Birmingham. It will require an expenditure of cash amounting to more than $750,000, and possibly $1,000,000. The Bi-product Company will make coke, fuel and illuminating gas, coal tar and ammonia, and will sell its coke to the Sloss Iron and Steel Company, its gas to a gas company, and its other products in the open markets.

Mr. A. T. London and Mr. Sol Haas represent the parties who will organize and operate the new gas company.

CONFEDERACY'S DAUGHTERS.

Alabama Chapter Will Establish a Home for Disabled Confederates.

The state convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy, which met in Birmingham, closed Friday, after a most successful session. It was determined to hold the next convention in Selma, which city sent a special invitation. It was decided to establish a temporary home for disabled confederate veterans at Montgomery. A building will be rented and different rooms will be furnished by various chapters and individuals. On a call for pledges to furnish rooms there were responses from a dozen chapters and ladies. The committee in charge of the project of purchasing the old White House of the confederacy at Montgomery will have charge of the temporary home, which they will endeavor to establish at once. Mrs. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Gayle, of Montgomery, were added to the committee. The old officers were re-elected for another year. They are: President, Miss Sallie Jones, of Camden; first vice-president, Mrs. Joseph F. Johnston, of Birmingham; second vice-president, Mrs. W. A. Gayle, of Montgomery; corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. G. Lewis, of Birmingham. The question of joining the national organization was brought up, but a proposition to join was voted down.

Negro Conference for Next Wednesday.

The Tuskegee Negro Conference, held each year under the supervision of Booker T. Washington's famous negro institution for the training of the black youth of the South, meets again Wednesday, February 23d. Reports received from local conference organizations in all parts of the South show that the largest attendance of any in the history of these gatherings will attend next week. A package of garden seeds is to be given to each delegate with the hope that the "one crop system" may, in a measure, be changed. Many Northern visitors and representatives from nearly all the Southern colored institutions of learning will be present to avail themselves of the opportunity to study the real condition of the negro, to note his progress and his needs.

Madison's Tax Valuation.

Assistant State Examiner Foster, after an examination of the tax assessment books of Madison county, has reported to the governor that the county commissioners have allowed abatements in tax valuations amounting to $100,832. He also states that many more thousands of dollars will have to be added to the list to obtain a correct adjustment of this year's assessment. Last summer the commissioner made a considerable cut in the tax valuations by deciding that chattel mortgages are non-taxable.

Big Cargo for Havana.

The steamship John Wilson left Mobile port Friday afternoon bound for Havana with one of the largest cargoes which a fruiter has ever taken out of Mobile. The cargo of the Wilson consisted of grain in sacks, hay, and a very large shipment of chickens, numbering 5,000. The vessel goes direct to Havana. This is the second or third shipment of this size consisting of fowls that has been made from this port to Havana.

For a Constitutional Convention.

The annual meeting of the Alabama Commercial and Industrial Association, consisting of all the commercial clubs in the various cities of the state, will be held in Birmingham on Wednesday, April 27. The programme has not yet been made out, but one of the most interesting features will be the adoption of resolutions urging upon the people of the state the necessity of a constitutional convention.

Bursting of a Mill Rock Kills Two Men.

A most horrible disaster occurred Friday at the steam mill of Mr. McDonald, two miles from Letohatchie, caused by the bursting of a mill rock. The result is that a negro man, Black Cain, had his brains dashed out; another, negro, Jim Howell, was fatally wounded, and Mr. C. E. McDonald has a fearful gash in his head, inflicted by a piece of the flying rock.

Underwood-Crowe Contest Dismissed.

The elections committee has dismissed the contest election case of Underwood vs. Crowe in the Ninth district, Mr. Underwood retaining his seat in congress.

Crushed by the Wheels.

At Selma, Will C. Johnson, 12 years old, attempted to jump on a rapidly moving Southern passenger train near the city limits and fell beneath the wheels. His left leg was completely severed and he is in a critical condition.

Congressman Wheeler's Opposition.

It is said that Zee Trimble, a well-known character, will be a candidate for congress. There are already three avowed candidates—General Wheeler, for re-election; Hon. Samuel Blackwell and Judge Richardson.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

Percy A. Ellis has been elected mayor of Warrior.

At Union Springs J. C. James, fell and expired in a few minutes from heart failure.

R. F. Bankhead, brother to Congressman Bankhead, died at Sulligent last Thursday.

W. H. Null, aged 47, committed suicide at Adger, Jefferson county, by shooting himself in the head.

Walter Darwin, aged 29, suicided at Huntsville Saturday by swallowing three tablespoonfuls of morphine.

The second annual convention of the Daughters of the Confederacy convened in Birmingham the past week.

Frank Martin was sentenced to life imprisonment at Rock Springs Saturday for killing Will Alexander last October.

Jefferson county will hold a primary on April 9th for the nomination of county officers and six representatives to the general assembly.

Unknown parties in ambush shot Wash Green, a farmer living at Turkeytown, while he was standing in his doorway. He will recover.

The trial of the cases of the State against the bondsmen of the ex-Tax Collector Lott, of Mobile, has been postponed from March 4 to March 10.

A committee has been appointed by the citizens of Wylam to confer with the commercial club of Birmingham with a view of co-operation in the extension of the Ensley dummy line to Wylam.

Albert S. Johnson, a machinist at the Hardie-Tynes foundry in Birmingham, was accidentally killed Saturday. He was caught in the belting and whirled round and round, producing wounds from which he died soon after.

Negro Convention.

About 200 colored farmers of Montgomery county met at the court house Saturday and organized a farmers' congress. The call was issued by J. C. Leftwich who was subsequently made president of the congress. A set of resolutions were drafted and adopted urging the colored farmers to discontinue mortgaging their crops, and to practice more economy in their livelihood.

Died of Grief.

Mrs. Anna Gafford, relict of the late Col. Frank Gafford, and mother of the now celebrated murderer of the same name, who is lodged in the county jail awaiting the action of the supreme court on a new trial, died at Greenville Saturday, from grief over the fate of her son.

Farmers Preparing for Crops.

Farmers throughout Colbert and adjoining counties have broken a great deal of land for planting corn, and several are plowing for cotton, but the cotton acreage will not be nearly so large as last year.

MOB USING THE TORCH.

Property Destroyed in an Arkansas County as a Result of Race War.

Rioting has been resumed in Lonoke county, Arkansas. A mob has been at work for the past several nights in Crooked Creek township burning and otherwise destroying property. Nearly every school house in the township has been burned and other public property destroyed.

The grand jury of Lonoke county, which has just adjourned, says in its report:

"We have made especial efforts to investigate and ferret out the depredations and outrages committed against some of the colored residents of the town of Lonoke, but regret to state that our efforts have been without success and we are compelled to refer these matters to the next grand jury."

Eighty-Seven Perish.

Teneriffe, Canary Islands—The Campagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique line steamer Flachat, bound from Marseilles for Colon, was totally wrecked off Nagaport, this island. Her captain, second officer, eleven of her crew and one passenger, were saved. Thirty-eight of the crew and forty-nine passengers were lost.

President of a Bank Killed.

A tragedy occurred at Greenwood, Miss., Friday in which Ivo Miller, manager of the Leflore Telephone Company, shot and killed J. S. McDonald, president of the Delta bank. Family matters is given as the cause of the killing.

Sam Jones for Governor of Georgia.

The following announcement from Rev. Sam Jones has been made public:

"Cartersville, Ga.—I arrived home early this morning from an extended tour and after going hurriedly through my mail and seeing the great pressure on all sides, and consulting myself and wife, I have upon mature deliberation decided to announce myself as a candidate for governor of Georgia.

"With the assurance that I will not be the 'hind dog' in the race, I ask the public to await further announcements of my platform and plans, reasons and regrets."

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS

The House—Monday.

Considerable excitement was caused among the members of the house today by the rumor, broadly circulated before the house convened, that important action relative to Cuba was to be taken. It turned out to be simply a resolution of inquiry unanimously reported by the foreign affairs committee last week calling on the state department as to the condition of the concentradoes in Cuba and the progress made in Spain's effort to induce autonomy. The resolution was adopted without division, and is similar to the one adopted by the senate today. The day was consumed with speeches relative to the Cuban situation.

The Senate.

Mr. Bate, of Tennessee, presented his colleague, Mr. Turley, and the oath of office was administered.... Mr. Morgan reported adversely from the committee on foreign relations an amendments to the diplomatic and consular bill recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents. He objected to the amendment being tacked to the appropriation bill. After further discussion Mr. Morgan's original Cuban resolution was presented and passed. The resolution as passed is as follows: "Resolved, That the president is requested, if in his opinion it is not incompatible with the public service, to send to the senate copies of the reports of the consul general and consuls of the United States in Cuba, written or received since March 4, 1897, which relate to the state of war in that island and the condition of the people there, or that he will send such parts of said reports as will inform the senate as to these facts. Second, That the president inform the senate whether any agent of the government in Cuba has been accredited to this government or the president of the United States with authority to negotiate a treaty of reciprocity with the United States, or any other diplomatic or commercial agreement with the United States, and whether such person has been recognized and received as the representative of such government of Cuba.".... A bill carrying $800,000 was passed, making appropriation for the expense of the United States courts and other purposes.... Mr. Harris, of Kansas, introduced a resolution with reference to the latest phase of the Kansas Pacific sale. He said in connection with the resolution that the reason for its presentation at this time was that the attorney-general had informed him less than a week ago that he proposed to redeem the first mortgage bonds of the Kansas Pacific and have a receiver appointed for the road. The resolution went over until tomorrow, and the the senate adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

Mr. Payne called up the senate bill to amend the navigation laws of the United States. Mr. Payne explained that the bill had been prepared by the treasury department, and was designed solely to protect our seacoast trade along the Pacific coast with Alaska. The bill was passed without division. .... Mr. Undergraff, of Iowa, from the committee on judiciary, called up a bill to amend the act of 1887 relating to the fees of United States officers so as to correct some existing abuses, and it was passed.... Mr. Cox, of Tennessee, called up a bill to "better control and promote the safety of national banks." The bill provided that no national bank shall make a loan to the president or any other officer or employe of the bank until such officer or employe has submitted the proposition for the loan in writing to the directors and it has been approved by a majority of them, and in no case shall the loan exceed the amount permitted by law. The bill was passed by a vote of 65 to 28.... Mr. Ball, of Texas, presented a resolution calling upon the secretary of war for an estimate of the cost of creating a channel 760 feet wide at the mouth of Double bayou, Galveston bay, and it was adopted.... A bill presented by the committee on merchant marine and fisheries was passed amending the law relating to the licensing of mates of ocean and river steamers.... Mr. Loud called up the bill to make it lawful to transmit through the mails private postal cards with a 1 cent stamp affixed. The [illegible] was passed. At this point Mr. Da[illegible] of Pennsylvania, asked for a modification of the order for consideration of the bankruptcy bill (which begins tomorrow) by which the final vote should be taken on Saturday instead of Monday as originally ordered with the understanding that Monday should be private bill day. Agreed to.... A bill was passed empowering registers and receivers of general land offices to issue subpœnas and compel attendance. A bill was passed repealing the statute requiring affirmative proof of loyalty by the holders of bounty or land warrants. At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, secured the passage of a resolution requesting the president to inform the senate what action had been taken in reference to the murder of Legundo N. Lopez, a citizen of the United States, in April, 1896, in Cuba by armed soldiers of Spain.... The resolution introduced yesterday directing the attorney-general to furnish the senate information as to the agreement reached by the government with the reorganization committee of the Union Pacific railroad concerning the Kansas branch, was laid before the senate. Mr. Gear moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on Pacific railroads. The motion was defeated—19 to 34—and the resolution was then adopted without division.... At 2:30 the senate went into executive session. After the executive session the report of the attorney-general on the Harrison resolution was read, and the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

Representative Underwood opened for the opposition to the Torrey bill in the debate on the bankruptcy measure in the house today. He said he was opposed to any feature that forced a man into bankruptcy whether he was willing or not, and has offered an amendment to strike out that part of the bill. He also opposed in speech that part of the bill which extended the operation of the law to corporations, and said at the proper time he would move to eliminate it. The present laws, which provided for receiveeships, were, he said, good enough, and any plan to allow corporations to go into a bankruptcy court, he said, would only help them to defraud their creditors.... The committee on elections, by a unanimous vote today, decided to dismiss the case of Dr. Crowe, who has been a contestant for the seat held by Oscar W. Underwood. The committee found that while some of Crowe's allegations as to fraud may have been true, there was not sufficient evidence, even admitting all the statements of the contestant to be true, to justify them either in seating Crowe or declaring that no legal election had been held. Admitting all the claims of Crowe, the committee found that Underwood was still elected by a large majority. A report will be presented to the house Monday and will probably be agreed to without opposition.

The Senate.

A discussion upon coast defenses was the interesting feature of the senate today. Many senators took the ground that the appropriations should be for the full amount of the estimates by the war department, instead of some $4,000,000 less. Senators Perkins and Hale said it was the policy of the appropriations committee to make an annual expenditure of $10,000,000 for fortifications. Senators Stewart, Hawley, Chandler and Lodge spoke in favor of increases.... In the early part of the day there was a discussion of the Kansas Pacific railroad sale, but no action was taken.... The fortifications bill was then taken up. Mr. Perkins said the committee on appropriations was unanimous in its action in increasing the aggregate sum appropriated by the house bill. Mr. Teller spoke briefly in favor of the measure. An amendment to increase the amount appropriated for powder and projectiles from $650,618 to $950,618 was accepted. This completed the consideration of the bill, and it passed without division. At 6:05 o'clock the senate adjourned.

FIRED HER SKIRTS.

Negroes Attempt to Burn a White Girl to Death.

Bare facts regarding the horrible efforts of three unknown negroes to burn to death the daughter of James Alday, in Decatur county, Georgia, have just come to light. The girl, who is about 16 years of age, had occasion to go to a spring about 200 yards from her father's house, and on returning she was seized upon by three negroes, and when they discovered that she was the daughter of Alday two of them firmly held her, while the third applied matches to the skirts of her clothing. She was detained until the flames were licking her face and had eaten into her under garments and then released and ordered to fly for her life. She ran screaming to her father's door, where she arrived with not a shrewd of clothing on her body and literally one huge blister. Immediate attention was given her and every effort to save her life was made, but the latest reports from the place indicate that her death was hourly expected.

Knasas Pacific Sold.

The eastern division of the Kansas Pacific road, 140 miles in length, was sold under the first mortgage at the Union Pacific depot at North Topeka. Judge W. D. Cornish, of St. Paul, special master, conducted the sale, and the property was bought in by Mr. Alvin W. Krech, on the part of the reorganization committee, for $4,500,000.

HURRYING THE WORK.

Huge Pieces of Ordnance Are Being Turned Out.

The big Niles Tool works at Hamilton, O., are turning out 12-inch mortars for the government as speedily as possible. Two naval attaches, assigned to the ordnance department, have been at Hamilton engaged in pushing forward the work and superintending the construction of the huge pieces of ordnance. Within the past few days the work has been greatly hastened to all appearance. The officials of the company deny that any special effort has made to hasten the work since the recent war scare.

FRANCES E. WILLARD

President of the Woman's C. T. U., Died in New York.

Miss Frances E. Willard, president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, died shortly after midnight Thursday, at the Hotel Imperial, in New York. Miss Willard had been seriously sick about three weeks. She had been a sufferer for several years with profound anemia, but fatal reresults were not anticipated until a few days ago, when she took la grippe, which hastened the end. She was 59 years of age.

Habit.

Habit is a queer thing. An old gentleman in Montville, Me., who said he could not see to sign his name until given a pair of glasses, was given a pair from which the lenses had been removed. He signed the paper nicely and declared he could see better with those than any others he had tried.

MAINE BLOWN TO ATOMS

In Havana Harbor and One Hundred Soldiers Killed.

MAY HAVE BEEN A PLOT OF THE SPANIARDS

It Is Believed the Explosion Occurred in a Small Powder Magazine—The Vessel Burning—Sailors Blown From Their Bunks into the Air.

A special from Havana says: At a quarter of 10 Tuesday evening a terrible explosion took place on board the United States cruiser Maine in Havana harbor. Many are killed or wounded. All the boats of the Spanish cruiser Alfonso XIII. are assisting. As yet the cause of the explosion is not apparent. The wounded sailors of the Maine are unable to explain it. It is believed the cruiser is totally destroyed. The explosion shook the whole city. The windows were broken in all the houses.

The correspondent of the Associated Press says he has conversed with several of the wounded sailors, and understands from them that the explosion took place while they were asleep, so that they can give no particulars as to the cause.

The Wildest Consternation.

The wildest consternation prevails in Havana. The wharves are crowded with thousands of people. It is believed the explosion occurred in a small powder magazine. Captain Sigsbee and the other officers have been saved. It is estimated that over 100 of the crew were killed, but it is impossible to give exact details. Admiral Manterola has ordered that boats of all kinds should go to the assistance of the Maine and her wounded. The Havana firemen are giving aid, attending carefully to the wounded as they are brought on shore. It is a terrible sight.

General Solano and the other generals have been ordered by Captain-General Blanco to take steps to help the Maine's crew in every way possibible.

Captain Sigsbee says the explosion occurred in the bow of the vessel. He received a wound in the head. Orders were given to the other officers to save themselves as best they could. The latter, who were literally thrown from their bunks in their night clothing, gave the necessary orders with great self-possession and bravery.

At 11:30 the Maine was still burning.

The first theory was that there had been a preliminary explosion in the Santa Barbara (magazine) with powder or dynamite below the water. Admiral Manterola believes that the first explosion was of a grenade shell that was hurled over the navy yard. The air is full of all kinds of rumors, and hundreds of opinions are advanced as to the probable cause of the blowing up of the warship. There is a strong belief that it was the work of the Spanish with dynamite, fired from one of the Spanish war vessels lying nearby in the harbor. It was with great difficulty that an outbreak was averted from Americans, who desired to begin shooting Spaniards on the streets.

Official Confirmation From Sigsbee.

The secretary of the navy received the following telegram from Captain Sigsbee:

"Maine blown up in Havana harbor at 9:40 and destroyed. Many wounded and doubtless more killed and drowned. Wounded and others on board Spanish man-of-war and Ward Line steamer. Send light-house tenders from Key West for crew and few pieces of equipment still left and such as are now above water. Public opinion should be suspended until further report. All officers believed to be saved. Jenkins and Merritt not yet accounted for. Many Spanish officers, including representatives of Gen. Blanco, now with me and express sympathy. [Signed.] SIGSBEE."

Long Sends Assistance.

Secretary Long received Captain Sigsbee's dispatch but a few minutes before the Associated Press dispatches from Havana were handed in. He received the news with apparent calm, and his first act was to comply with Captain Sigsbee's request that assistance be sent from Key West. He immediately wired Captain Forsythe, at Key West, to proceed with the naval tenders Fern and Mangrove to Havana harbor.

Secretary Long then sent for Captain Dickens, and the two discussed Captain Sigsbee's brief telegram. No other naval officers were present, and besides the secretary and Captain Dickens, the naval colony at Washington is ignorant of the disaster, the greatest which has befallen the American navy since the disaster at Apia many years ago.

LATER DEVELOPMENTS.

Two Hundred and Forty-six Lives Lost Details of the Sinking.

The officers of the Maine state that the explosion was in the central magazine, and that the Maine was raised out of the water and then went partially to pieces. All but the surgeon were in the ward room at the moment of the explosion. Then came the stupendous shock. All the officers below rushed on deck, but could get no further forward than the middle superstructure on deck. Only a very pitiful few of the 350 jackies ever got from below. The water rushed over them and many were stunned and drowned, but not mangled. The officers on deck narrowly escaped. In the junior officers' mess all had to clamber out through water and wreckage waist deep. One ladder from the after torpedo compartment was jammed with men struggling for life. All agreed that a double explosion occurred from the natural result of an under-water explosion of the magazines.

Piteous Cries for Help.

Brass pipe, angle iron, etc., fell in a shower on the decks of the City of Washington, so injuring two boats that when lowered they were useless. Out of the dense smoke came anguished cries for help. Simultaneously with the cessation of falling fragments, search lights were thrown on the wreck and its load of agony. Spanish boats from the shore joined those of the Washington alongside at once, but the regular ferry boats, passing soon after the explosion, did not stop to offer aid.

Total Lost 246.

The navy department has compiled the following summary, showing the total results of the Maine disaster, from all available official information up to the close of the departments Thursday night:

"Total officers and men on board Maine, 355; total officers, 26; total men, 329; total officers saved, 24; total men saved, 76; total officers lost, 2; total men lost, 246; total officers injured, none; total men injured, 57; doubtful (men), 7.

"The seven men appearing as doubtful probably represent that number or less whose lives have been saved, but who cannot be identified at present on account of errors in the transmission of telegrams.

"The 57 appearing as injured are included in the 76 appearing as saved."

A Plot to Blow Up American Consulate.

The Associated Press correspondent has secured a circular printed in Havana, which shows up a bitter plot to blow up Gen. Lee and the consulate. It follows:

"Spaniards: The time has arrived when the patience of the loyal has vanished before the decided protection that the Americans lend to the bands of turbulent foragers who lay waste our country. Death to them. The moment has arrived to lower the colors at the head of the Americans and prove to them that our unconquerable nation can reach the doors of the capitol at Washington, demand reparation for the grave offenses which they daily inflict upon us. Expel; yes, expel Consul-General Lee, who, with his fame, is nothing more than the miserable secretary of the bandits. Away, away with the Yankee consulate protector of criminals of the lowest degree. Every moment the action of justice is impeded by American interference. Are we to continue our? No; no, a thousand times no.

"Consul-General Lee, when the stupendous explosion comes that will carry consternation to the whole city, if you have the strength left, it would be well for you to hie yourself to your country and relate what has happened to you.

"Long life to Spain, long life to Spanish-Cuba. Death to our enemies."

A special from Madrid says: Orders have been issued to Captain Peral to open inquiry into the cause of the disaster to the Maine. The government has received a cable message from the Washington government thanking Spain for the assistance rendered by the Spanish authorities at Havana after the disaster.

The Court of Inquiry.

The navy department received a dispatch from Admiral Sicard, in command of the North Atlantic squadron giving the details of the court of inquiry to investigate the Maine disaster as follows: "Captain Sampson, president of the court; Captain Chadwick, Lieutenant-Commander Schroeder, Lieutenant-Commander Marix."

Captain Sampson, president of the court, is commander of the battleship Iowa, now at Tortugas. Captain Chadwick is commander of the New York at Key West. Lieutenant-Commander Schroeder is executive officer of the battleship Massachusetts, now at Tortugas. Lieutenant-Commander Marix is executive officer of the Vermont.

It is believed that under the most favorable circumstances this investigation cannot be made for several days. Arrangements must first be made for the proper working of the diving outfits.

Torpedo Story Unconfirmed.

A correspondent of the Associated Press has just returned to Key West on board the Olivette from the scene of the wreck of the United States battleship Maine, who reports that the divers who have been working about her bottom have discovered an eight-inch percussion hole in the plate, which appears to have been made by a torpedo. This report lacks official confirmation. Secretary Long says there is no such thing as a percussion hole; that there is no eight-inch torpedo, and no other way in which such a hole could be accounted for.

All officers and men who were aboard the warship Maine at the time of the explosion say that the explosion was due to some interior cause, and was not the result of an explosion of a torpedo on the outside.

Four-Year Terms for Congressmen.

The house committee on the election of the president, vice-president and representatives in congress has authorized a favorable report on a resolution to propose to the various state legislatures an amendment to the constitution, as follows:

"The house of representatives shall be composed of members chosen every fourth year by the people of the several state, and the electors in each state shall have the qualifications requisite for electors of the most numerous branch of the state legislature."

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

GOOD ROADS CONVENTION.

The Good Roads Convention at Anniston last week was a success in every sense of the word. Nearly every county in the State was represented. A movement was set on foot that is bound to result in much good to the State. A permanent association was organized, with Dr. T. W. Ayers as president, and nine vice-presidents that will proceed at once to bring about an improvement in the public roads of Alabama. It is not necessary, if we had the space for us to say how this will be done. Suffice it to say that the man who first concieved and suggested the idea of holding the convention is chairman of the permanent association, and that of itself is a guarrantee that there will be no let up in the efforts to secure good roads in Alabama.

Several able papers, all bearing upon the subject of good roads, were read before the convention by Dr. Riley, Gen. Stone, Col. Falkner and others, and an enthusiasm was kindled, that will not abate until Alabama is blessed with good roads from the Tennessee line to the Gulf of Mexico.

Shelby county had a full delegation of her representative men at the convention, and she had the honor of offering through Col. W. T. Smith, chairman of her delegation, the first motion or resolution was laid before the convention—the appointment of the committee of 11 to suggest plan of organization, etc. Much to the regret of the convention, and the Shelby delegation particularly, Col. Smith was prevented, by sickness, from meeting with the committee on Thursday morning, and Col Kile, of Gadsden, was elected Chairman in his place.

Well, it is expected that we say something about Anniston, her carnival snd her people. We acknowledge our inability to do the subject justice. To say that we were surprised would hardly express our feelings when we reached the city. The immense crowds, the beautiful and costly floats, and above all the cordial welcome extended to the visitors, was something we were not prepared for.

The citizens threw open their doors to the delegates and everybody was made to feel that they were among friends.

It was the good fortune of ye scribe, Capt. R. M. DeShazo, R. B. Posey, Dr. Givhan, and W. G. Parker, to be assigned to the hospitable home of Mr. John K. Milner and his accomplished lady. Everybody in Columbiana will know, without our saying, how we fared. If all the delegates fared as we'l as we did, the Anniston Carnival and Good Roads Convention will long be remembered.

HOW IS THIS FOR HARMONY?

The above caption appeared in an editorial in last week's Chronicle. The present editor of that paper, perhaps, is not familiar with the history of the Democratic party in this county, and indeed in the whole South. The democratic party of this county only wants harmony when the bosses are in the saddle, and standing around the pie counter.

When the masses of the people became aroused a few years ago to the fact that both the old parties were corrupt, the Alliance came as a messenger of peace and good will to all the people, and sought to right the wrongs inside the democratic party in the South. They were abused and maltreated, and accused of anarchy and enemies of the government in which they live. In many counties they went to the primaries, took charge of the party machinery, and attempted a reformation inside the party. What was the result? In Shelby county the old ring leaders finding the people were in the saddle, and directing the machinery of the party, turned their backs to the people and did everything they could to compass the defeat of the ticket nominated by the party, by going to the polls in August 1888 and voting the Republican ticket; swelling their vote to nearly 1,400 votes in the county. Does the editor of the Chronicle think this was in the interest of Democratic Harmony?

And again in 1890 when they failed to control the convention resurrected an old committee, called another convention and put out a ticket with Judge D. R. McMillan as chairman of the committee and fought the regular ticket until the polls closed on the first Monday in August. Did they stop there? No, they continued the fight; and sent their chairman D. R. McMillan to Montgomery to keep Mr. Longshore out of the democratic caucus. After a full hearing by the democratic caucus, Mr. Longshore was retained with only four votes against him out of a vote of 96 members of the caucus.

And last, but not least in 1892, the Peoples Party was refused managers and clerks at a number of boxes in this county, and the returns stolen from the boxes in beat 12 and 17, thereby defeating the will of the people.

Believing they could get their rights in the courts they instituted contests, the incumbent of the Probate Judges' office, before whom all the contests had to be tried, except Probate Judge, resigned, and a democratic Governor, in order we suppose, to assist in the fraud, did not appoint a successor for quite a while, leaving the Probate Judges office vacant for nearly two months. When at last we got the wheels of justice ready to move, a democratic legislature, passed a bill prepared it is said, by the present Chief Justice of the Supreme court repealing the tribunal, and abolishing the court to try the contests cases.

What does the editor of the Chronicle think of a party that will thus rob men of offices to which they were elected, and then deny them of the right to go into the courts to have justice done?

No sir, the people of Shelby county have too much sense of justice and manhood to ever go back to the party that has denounced them as anarchists, and robbed them of their offices. They have too much self respect. They are not made out of that kind of material.

There isn't a true populist in the county that will ever vote for one of those men that followed them up, and hounded them down. It makes no difference how much they may slobber over the votes and shake their hands and ask after the welfare of their wife and children.

If the democratic party ever expects to succeed they had better relegate the would-be bosses who have trampled the rights of the people under their feet.

The Coming Woman.

Who goes to the club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good old-fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for these women is Electric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women. Female complaints and Nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only 50 cents per bottle. For sale by Hall Drug Co.

INCREASING PROSPERITY.

It is interesting to note how many newspapers that could see up to within a few weeks nothing but trade improvement, growing industrial activity, increasing prosperity on every hand, can now see, where they have taken up the demand for currency reform in earnest and desire to fortify their arguments by showing that trade halts' industry languishes all becaue of the uncertainty attached to our currency, just what they desire to see. Still that buisness conditions are less favorable than three or four months ago is undoubtely true. Thus the President of the Mercantile National Bank of New York is quoted as saying, "I think that business conditions are not quite so good now as they were early last fall."

This is doubtless true. In the early part of last fall such improvement as marked the year 1897 was most accentuated. Then indication of the abnormally large demand for our food products had been given and prices had jumped up greatly, then did men make estimates of the greatly increased amount of money our farmers were going to realize for their crops over the year before, then were men hopeful of a greatly increased demand for manufactured goods springing up in the near future, then was the speculative demand for goods greatest, then did retail merchants buy much more liberally than they have been accustomed to of late, believing that a demand would soon spring up for such goods that would rapidly take them off their hands.

So circumstances were combined to make the early fall of last year the most active part of the whols year, but men built on expectatinoe that have not been fulfilled, on hopes of increased demand for manufactured goods that had no substantial basis. They much overestimated the gains to the farmer from the rise in prices for his products and counted on ao increased demand for manufactured goods by our farmers that has fallen far short of anticipations. The result is that the increased output of our mills has not found a market, prices have fallen not risen, productions in many cases is being carried on at a loss, and men are disheartened, look to the future gloomily, not witn hope.

This is especially true of the cotton industry of New England. The demand for cotton goods is not sufficient to absorb the product of the mills, the con t n ac u mulation of a surplus has served to press down prices, wipe out the margins of profit. Besides many of the cotton manufacturers have suffered no inconsiderable loss from the fall in the price of raw cotton. With that fall cotton goods have fallen but many of the manufacturers have stocks of cotton bought at higher prices and find themselves obliged to make cotton goods with raw cotton that cost them 8 cents a pound and sell in competition with those manufacturers who, having no great stock of cotton when the bottom fell out of the price, have now the advantage of using 6 cent cotton. And all this has caused the margin of profits to shrink away, prompted the cotton manufacturers of New England to cut the wages of 125,000 operatives 10 per cent or more, the most extensive cut ever recorded in the history of New England,s cotton industry.
—The American

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THE VETERANS.

General Orders as to the Meeting in Atlanta in July--Members Should Pay Their Dues.

BIRMINGHAM, Feb. 10.—The following orders have been issued:

Headquarters Alabama Division United Confederate Veterans, Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 8, '98. General Order No. 1.

First—The annual convention of the United Confederate Veterans will be held at Atlanta, Ga., on the 20th, 21st and 22nd of July, 1898.

Second—The several camps of this division will select delegates to represent them at the ratio of one delegate for every twenty members who have paid their dues to Gen'l George Moorman, Adjutant General, New Orleans, La.

Any camp having a fraction of ten or more members over the number of thirty, is entitled to one addidional delegate. For instance, a camp having ninety members or more, and less than one hundred, is entitled to five delegates.

Alternates will be elected on the same basis.

Third—Dr. W. R. I. Dalton, now a citizen of New York, but a native of Alabama, and an officer in the Confederate Navy, is announoed as an assistant surgeon on the Divisional Staff, and Green B. Mobley, Augustus M. Duncan and William Dean, are announced as aides de camp on the Divisional S aff, each with the rank of Lieut. Colonel.

Fourth—With great pleasure the Divisional Commander announces the appointment of Miss Lillian Roden, of Birmingham, as sponsor for the division, and authorizes her to appoint the maids of honor. A daughter of a wounded and heroic veteran, and a typical child of the South, she will worthily represent her father's comrades and memories of the cause for which they fought.

Fifth—All the camps except nine have failed to pay their dues to the Division Headquarters for four years' dues, 10 cents.

Sixth—It is expected that the meeting at Atlanta will be the largest yet held, and the commander urges the Veterans of Alabama to promptly reorganize old camps and form new ones, increase the roll of membership, pay all dues before the first day of April, send full delegations to the convention, and thus make sure that our state will be represented in a manner commensurate with her greatest in peace and her glory in war.

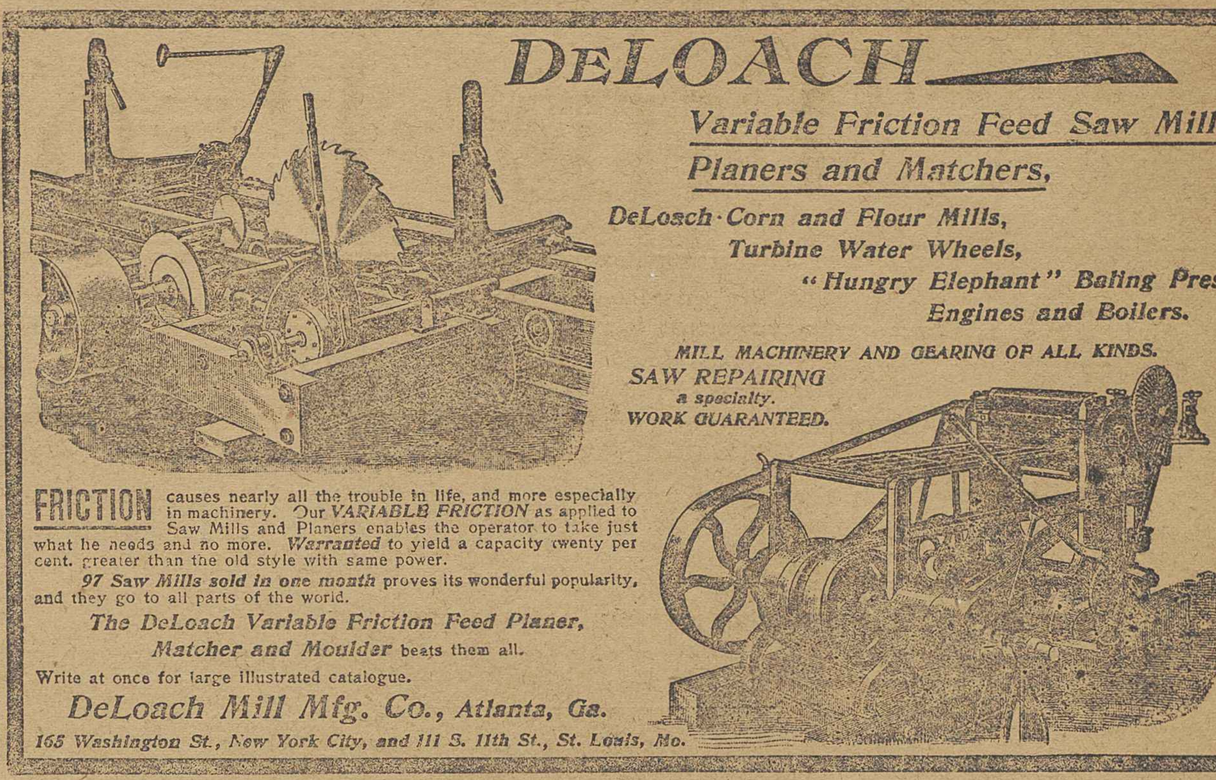
[The newspapers of the state are respectfully requested to publish this order.]

HARVEY JONES,
Adjt. Gen'l and Chief of Staff.
F. S. FURGUSSON, Maj. Gen'l.

Corn Stalks Valuable.

"The despised corn stalk, which for all these years the farmers have burned as of no account, just as the cotton planters used to throw aside the seed of that plant as valuless, at last turns out to be of such worth as to pay handsomely for marketing," said Mr. D. M Frank, of Kentucky, at the Riggs. "Our farmers are selling it readily for $4.00 a ton, and on an acre producing forty bushels of corn there will be at least two and a half tons of stalks The use to which the stalk is being put is one of the most extraordinary agricultural discoveries of this day. At present, there are but two factories in the country that are equipped for making cellulose out of this material, one of which is located at Owensboro, Ky. Cellulose is the pith of the corn stalk; its uses are varied and wonderful, and it has a market value of $4.00 a ton. War vessels are lined with it, and whenever a vessel so lined is punctured with shot, the contact of the water with cellulose causes them to swell, closing the aperature and preventing the water from entering between the ship's inner and outer walls.

"Besides, the railroads have just found it to be far superior to cotton waste for packing journals, as it requires less oil and obviates hot boxes. As a covering for steam pipes, it is the best known substance. For making paper, it is found superior to wood pulp, and from it kodak films, frescoes, and all papier mache articles can be made. This does not begin to exhaust the list of its marvelous possibilities, and from what I have seen and heard, I believe that dozens of other us ful articles, as linoleum, water-proof garments, patent leather finish, and the like can be produced from this simple material of the fields."—Ex.



Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 7th day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The north east quarter of the north east quarter of section 23, and the south half of the south half of the south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, except the following portions of said land heretofore sold off by John S. Storrs, to the parties named, and the rights-of-way of said parties of ingress and egress from their lots over said land to the public road, or any streets that may be opened most convenient to the same, to-wit: Alex Howel, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degress, west 30 feet, thence 3 degress, 30 west, 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degress west, 141 feet to a place of beginning; thence south 63 degress, west 150 feet to a point; thence north 40 degress west, 299 feet, 6 inches to a point; thence north 63 degrees, east 150 feet to point, thence south 40 degress, east 290 feet 6 inches to point of beginning, containing one (1) acre more or less, being the lands upon which the residence of said Alex Harvel is located. Smith Peoples, from the south east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degrees, west 30 feet; thence north 3 degrees "30," west 300 feet to point; thence south 72 degrees, west 141 feet to a place of beginning; thence north 60 degrees, east 150 feet to point; thence north 40 degrees, west 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence south 60 degrees, west 150 feet to point; thence south 40 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to place of beginning, containing one acre more or less, being land upon which said Smith Peoples residence is located. Puston McGhee and Joe Beasley: Commencing at the south east corner of north east quarter of north east quarter of north east quarter of section 23, township 22, range 1 west, run westerly 5 degrees, south 235 feet to point of beginning; thence north 578 feet 3 inches to point; thence west parallel with section line 208 feet 3 inches; thence south 278 feet 3 inches, thence easterly 208 feet 3 inches to point of beginning; said land embracing the residence of Joe Beasley and Puston McGhee, and containing about two and one-half acres. P. B. Harrell: from the north east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 220 yards; thence west 35 yards to point of beginning; from this point run south 191 feet 5 inches; thence west 12 degrees, north 245 feet 4 inches, thence north 116 feet 9 inches; thence east 225 feet to point of beginning, containing 3,850 square yards more or less, also commencing at north west corner of above described land conveyed to Howell, run westerly 110 yards to point of beginning; thence westerly 202 degrees 5," thence back to point of beginning; thence south 116 feet 9 inches; thence west 23½ degrees north 229 feet. Henry Storrs: Commencing at the north east corner of south east quarter of south east quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 220 yards to point of beginning; thence south 200 feet; thence west 1 degree 45," north 105 feet 3 inches, thence north 19 feet 5 inches; thence east 105 feet to point of beginning, containing about 2,159 square yards.

The following portion of land is also reserved by the said grantors, to-wit: From the south east corner of the south east quarter of south quarter of section 14, township 22, range 1 west, run south 85 degrees, west 30 feet to point of beginning; thence continue south 85 degrees, west 290 feet 6 inches to point; thence north 3 degrees 30," west 150 feet to a point; thence north 85 degrees, east 290 feet 6 inches to point; theoce south 3 degrees 30," east 150 feet to a place of beginning, containing one acre more or less. Also the north east quarter of south west quarter of south east quarter; the north west quarter of south east quarter of south east quarter; the south west quarter of the north east quarter, of south east quarter of north west quarter of south east quarter, all in section 14, township 22, range 1 west, except four acres, which immediately surrounds the house in which W. R. Carter resides, which said four acres are hereby described as follows, to-wit: Block No. 8 of the land and town lots of the Shelby Land Company as shown on the map and plan of survey of the land and town lots of the Shelby Land Company. Also the south west qvarter of the north east quarter of section 6, township 24, range 15 east. Also part of south east quarter, section 14, township 22, range 1 west. Part of north east quarter of north east quarter, section 23, township 22, range 1 west. and south west quarter of north east quarter of section 6, township 24, range 15 east Also excepting Blocks 7, 11, 12 and 13, also lots No. 1. 2 and 3 in Block No. 20, lots No. 1, 2, 3 and 4, in Block No. 28, lots No. 7, 3 and 16 in Block No. 27, lots No. 3, 4 and 5 in Block No. 31, lots No. 7 and 8 in Block No. 35.

All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of Shelby Land Comyany, to satisfy said Fi. Fas. in my hand in favor of Browne & Leeper and John Storrs.

This 31st day of January, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 21st day of February, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One third undivided interest in south half of north east quarter sec. 36, tp. 21 range 4 west, and entire interest in west half of south west quarter sec. 13, and west half of north west quarter and north east quarter of south west quarter sec. 12, also the following land commencing at a point where the south boundry line of north west quarter of sec. 12, tp. 21 range 3 west, crosses South & North railroad, thence running 500 feet, thence north 1005 feet, to a point 210 feet from railroad right-of-way, thence east 210 feet to said right-of-way, thence 1005 feet along said right-of-way to point of beginning, and the south east quarter of south east quarter of sec. 11. One third undivided interest in north west quarter of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, north east quarter of north east quarter of sec. 1, tp. 22 range 4 west, and entire interest in house and lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, known as lot No. 455, according to Davis Plot, of said town lots of land in said town heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of Mrs. Annie E. Vaughn, one half interest in lots 1-2-3 and 4 in the town of Calera, Alabama, being the property heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of W. D. Huggins, and the third interest in north west quarter of north east quarter, and east half of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, and entire interest in one lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore known as the Mostello Saloon lot, and which was heretofore purchased of J. C. Adler by W. E. Brinkerhoff, also lot No. 465 in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore purchased of Mathes & Co., by W. E. Brinkerhoff, and machinery in lease described in book of deeds 20, and now in possession of T. R. Wagner.

All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of W. E. Brinkerhoff, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of Lubralim Oil Company and J. L. Dit Foundry Company.

This 20 day of January, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

The above sale has been postponed until Feb. 28th, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed schedule in Effect January 16, 1898.

	No. *20	STATIONS	No. *19	
....	3.25pm	lv. Selma ar	11 23am	....
....	5.11pm	...Montevallo...	9.25am	....
....	7.55pm	ar. Brm'ham lv	6.45am	....

No. +25	No. §23	STATIONS	No. +25	No. §27
4.20am	5.45am	lv ..Akron... ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	6.40am	..Greensboro...	5.25pm	5.37pm
7.25am	7.19am	....Marion....	3.30pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.30am	...Marion Jct...	2.35pm	3.4 pm
9.5 am	9.50am	ar...Selma...lv	1.50pm	3.00pm

No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS	No. *15	No. *19
....	7.25pm	lv. New O'l's ar	8.30am	....
....	5.30am	lv..Meridian..ar	9.50pm	....
....	6.25am	......York......	8.40pm	....
....	7.32am	...Demopolis...	7.45pm	....
....	8.13am	ar..Uniont'n..lv	7.04pm	....
....	8.56am	...Marion Jct...	6.11pm	....
....	9.28am	ar Selma lv	5.43pm	....
8.25pm	9.35am	lv Selma ar	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.26am	..Montevallo..	3.30pm	9.25am
....	11.40am	....Calera....	3.27pm	....
....	12.01pm	..Columbiana..	3.06pm	....
....	12.32pm	.Childersburg.	2.37pm	....
....	1.2 pm	...Talladega...	2.03pm	....
....	2.03pm	.....Oxford.....	1.25pm	....
....	2.16pm	....Anniston....	1.00pm	....
....	2.49pm	..Jacksonville..	12.48pm	....
....	3.05pm	...Piedmont...	12.15pm	....
....	3.57pm	.Cave Springs.	11.24am	....
....	4.35pm	......Rome......	10.45am	....
....	10.40pm	ar. Atlanta lv	7.50am	....

+25	*38	*36	STATIONS	*35	*37	+25
a m	a m	p m		a m	p m	p m
....	6.00	4.15	lv ..Birm'ham.. ar	11.45	10.00	....
....	7.12	5.23	....Pell City....	10.25	8.46	....
....	8.10	6.30	....Anniston....	9.15	7.42	....
....	8.19	6.55	.....Oxford.....	9.07	7.32	....
....	8.55	7.32	.....Heflin.....	8.32	7.01	....
....	9.05	7.43	.Edwardsville.	8.19	6.50	....
....	9.13	7.53	...Fruithurst...	8.09	6.40	....
5.55	9.30	8.15	..Tallapoosa..	7.47	6.23	7.55
6.13	9.46	8.35	....Bremen....	7.27	6.05	7.32
7.23	10.30	9.24	Douglasville	6.40	5.16	6.29
7.35	10.40	9.35	.Lithia Springs.	6.30	5.05	6.15
8.25	11.30	10.30	ar ...Atlanta ...lv	5.40	4.15	5.15
a m	a m	p m		a m	p m	p m

STATIONS	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome...........	....	4.45pm
Lv Knoxville.......	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown......	9.50am	11.55pm
Ar Hot Springs.....	11.46am	12.23am
Ar Asheville.......	1.15pm	1.39am
Ar Salisbury.......	6.40pm	6 [illegible]am
Ar Greensboro......	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh.........	7 10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk.........		5.25pm
Ar Washington......	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York........	12.43pm	6.23am

No. 12 carries Pullman Sleeping car from Chattanooga to New York via Asheville.
No. 16 carries Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping car Chattanooga to Raleigh connecting at Norfolk with steamers for Baltimore, New York and Boston. Connecting at Greensboro with U. S. Fast Mail carrying Pullman Sleeping cars for Washington and New York.

STATIONS	No. 9
Lv Rome..............	4.45pm
Ar Chattanooga.......	7.30pm
Ar Cincinnati........	7.20am
Ar Louisville........	7.27am

No. 9 Pullman Sleeping car Rome to Cincinnati and Chattanooga to Louisville without change.

STATIONS	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta...........	12.00pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte.........	8.20pm	9.00am
Ar Danville..........	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg.........	1.58am	3.55pm
Ar Charlottesville...	3.30am	5.45pm
Ar Washington........	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar Baltimore.........	8.00am	11.25pm
Ar Philadelphia......	10.15am	2.55am
Ar New York..........	12.43pm	6.23am

No. 38 "Washington and Southwestern Limited" Solid Pullman Vestibule train Atlanta to New York, carrying Pullman Sleeping car Birmingham to New York. Dining car Atlanta to Greensboro and Washington to New York.
No. 36 carries Pullman Drawing room Sleeping car Birmingham to Atlanta and Atlanta to New York.
*Daily. †Daily Except Sunday. §Sunday only.
F. S. GANNON 3d v. p. & G. M. Washington, D. C.
J. M. CULP Traf. Mgr. Washington, D. C.
W. A. TURK G. P. A. Washington, D. C.
C. A. BENSCOTER A. G. P. A. Chattanooga Tenn.

Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Mariah Searight and Emeline Sanders, reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weaks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. MCMILLAN, Judge of Probate.

jan. 20-3.

Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

E. F. VEST, Administrator.

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Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

See legal "ads" in this issue.

50 mackerel for one dollar at J. H. Hammond's.

Two droves of horses and mules in town this week.

Big bottle snuff for 10 cents at J. H. Hammond's.

E. S. Lyman, of Montevallo, was in the city Tuesday.

Judge John A. Campbell, of Calera, was in the city Monday.

Our Highland and Cobb letters arrived too late for this issue.

John W. Johnston has sold his coal contract to T. W. Tinney.

Heinz's Best Krout and bulk. pickles, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

Flour is down, go to J. H. Hammond's and find out how much.

Miss Georgia Cromwell spent last week with relatives and friends in Shelby.

John W. Spradley, Jr., and J. J. Fleming, of Creswell, were visitors to our city yesterday.

W. T. Thedford, Esq.. has been on the sick list for a week or more, but is now improving.

More tobacco for 10 cents sold here than anywhere else.
J. H. Hammond.

B. W. Brand and daughter Miss Alma, were among those who visited Birmingham this week.

James Milner and son, of Birmingham, are talking horses and mules to our people this week.

I sell Heinz's pure apple vinegar and give you a jug to put it in.
J. H. Hammond.

John H. Leonard, of beat 7, was in the city Monday, and while here gave the Advocate a pleasant call

Miss Ida O' Hara came down from K. Springs Saturday, to hear Mr, Burns and returned Sunday p. m.

The ladies of the Parsonage League are requested to meet at the parsonage Friday afternoon at 3 p. m.

John P. Spencer, who is traveling for a St. Louis house, was showing his samples to our merchants Saturday

H. C. DuBose, J. T. Leeper, Max Lefkovits, J. T. Porter and George Porter attended Mardi Gras at Birmingham.

Quite a number from this place attended Mardi Gras at Birmingham, and all were delighted with the festivities.

Hon. W. F. Aldrich will please accept our thanks for a copy of the congressional record and other public documents.

Misses Ella Tallant and Mary Finley visited relatives in the Magic city this week and attend Mardi Gras at the same time.

E. L. Tillery, of the Montgomery Advertiser, spent Tuesday in the city in the interest of that paper, and while here gave the Advocate a pleasant call.

Misses Nellie Parker, Anna Milner and Edna Nelson, who have been attending the Girls Industrial School at Montevallo, arrived in the city Monday.

Editor Gist, of the Chronicle, and C. C. DuBose, made a flying trip to Selma Monday. It is not known whether they took any Mardi Gras in "thern" or not.

For the next 20 days I will sell 2 packages of garden seed for 5 cents, and 10 cent packages for 5 cents. These seed are fresh and genuine.
J. H. Hammond.

Monday was the coldest day of the season. Snow fell frequently during the day, but about 5 p. m., it faired off and we have had beautiful weather ever since.

David Tatum, a Quaker Evangelist from Denver, Colorado, will lecture at the Court House tonight at 7:30, on the "evil effects of Alcohal on the stomach and brain." Everybody invited to attend.

"The relation of pastor to the church," was the theme of Rev. Burns' discourse at the Baptist church Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. His sermon was an able one and was listened to with the closest attention by the large congregation in attendance.

Mr. Vandiver Explains.

Vandiver, Ala., Feb. 13, 98.

Editor Advocate—As I am a reader of the Advocate, I ask that you will allow space for this article.

Health generally good around our town, except bad colds.

Our community has been greatly excited over what was supposed to be a case of smallpox. A man came from Pratt City several weeks ago to visit his father's family. While here he visited a great many relatives and friends. After his stay of about one week he broke out with something like smallpox. The excitement began to run very high at this stage of the game. He came into town the other day and our citizens all left the streets. We wired the health officer to come and investigate. The next morning after this was done our friend left for parts unknown. So ends the smallpox scare for this time.

Mr. Editor, please allow me a word or two on politics. I see in your last issue that I paid Vincent a visit a few days ago in company with Mr. S. H. Collins looking after democratic kickers. I also saw my friend J. M. Brown there; we all went to church and mixed up with old friends generally. After listening to a fine sermon by Bro. Kidd, we shared the hospitalities of Brother and Sister Eugene Williams. In the course of time we entered into a political conversation. To my great surprise I found all the kickers there that I had found anywhere in the county. Some who boast of their Republicanism will stand up and contend that the Populists ought to have the preference as to the offices which are to be filled in case of co-operation. Is that not strange that a republican, who claims that he is a republican, and has always been one, should take such a position.

We believe that our friends at Vincent will go out and repent and yet be saved, for several reasons. One is, it is contrary to common, good sense.

Suppose, Mr. Editor, that one of your brother populists should say that for the sake of harmony you should give all the best offices to the republicans. What would you think in such a case? I believe you would say, and every sensible man would say, he was paid to blow the republican preference to those offices. The good book says that he who will not provide for his own house and household has already denied the faith, etc.

We have a perfect right to change our opinions politically or otherwise, but when we do, let us come out and say so.

Mr. Editor, will you please give this article space in the Advocate, as we have many friends who read your paper. It is hardly worth while to request you to return this article if you do not publish it, as we have always been friends personally.

J. L. Vandiver,
County Ch'n. Rep. Ex. Com.

Lecture Friday Night.

Dr. J. A. B. Lovett, President of the Montezuma Univeasity, Bessemer, who will visit his son, Dr. W. A. Lovett, the dentist here, next Friday, has consented to deliver one of his interesting lectures Friday evening, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Dr. W. A. Loveti was unable to tell us what subject his father had chosen for the occasion, but we feel safe in saying that all those who attend will be delighted, as Dr. Lovett is well known as a forceful and interesting lecturer. No collection will be taken up, and all are invited to attend.

Entertainment at the Court House.

There will be an elocution recital at the Court House in Columbiana on Friday evening, March 4, given by Miss Susie McGehee, assisted by Misses Stone, Looney and others. The object of the entertainment is to raise money for the Averett Memorial Scholarship for poor girls in the Judson Female Institute at Marion, Ala. Miss McGeehee is quite an artist, and under her management the entertainment could not be other than a grand success. We bespeak for her a large and appreciative audience. Let everybody attend and enjoy this rare treat and also assist in a most laudable enterprise. Admission 25 cents; children 15 cents.

Onion sets by the quart, gallon or bushel, cheaper than the cheapest, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

Vincent.

J. H. Wilder is in Kansas City buying more stock.

A. E. McGraw, Jr., was at home Sunday. No permits are granted now, consequently Ed. wasn't satisfied with his visit home.

We noticed Mr. Stone, the Dentist, in our town last week.

J. S. Pitts made a flying trip to Birmingham Saturday.

Old Crank was "peeping high" Sunday night, only lighting in a few places. Bub says he can't tear his playhouse down.

No preaching in our town Sunday, consequently a good crowd went down to Harpersville to hear Rev. W. I. Sinnott.

Mr. Rainals, a conductor on the Georgia Central R R, is visiting our town. We won't mention his business, for fear that "somebody" might blush.

We notice that a correspondent of the Chronicle "Democrat," is considerably worried of late as to the poor class of teachers in Shelby. We would state to the brother that it was difficult—for quite a while, to get a good man to come to Shelby, for it seemed that they all had heard that our superintendent of education ran away with the teacher's money, but we have decided the Democrat, E. O. Dawson, is the only one who would be guilty of such a thing.

One of our would-be poets wishes the following lines published for the benefit of a certain individual.

I would have my future told
If to me the Hindo Seer could show
A future with hopes not built in vain
And my Kid without a "smothered" name.

Occasional.

VENIRE FOR JURORS

February Term of County Court.

Charley Albright, Y G Gaddy, G B McLaughlin, W D Shirley, Rufus F Hale, L J Jones, Wm M Robertson, W J Falkner, J R Holmes, I C Treadwell, Wm Baine, John Hartsfield, T A Joiner, B B Moore, E H Farr, Dixon McLendon, J M Vick, E DeRamus, H J Gould, E W Attaway, H M Merrell, J M Duke, C A Horton, J L Foster.

W. M. Calohan, the polite and accommodating agent of the Southern Railway at this place, has been promoted and assigned to duty at Blockton. He left yesterday with his family for his new field. While his many friends here rejoice at his promotion yet they regret to see him leavo. He has been agent for the Southern at this place for many years, and in that time has made a host of friends. The best wishes of our people go with him and his family to their new home.

How is this for high? A 10 pound caddy of tobacco for $2.30.
J. H. Hammond.

Attention Shelby.—Dr. W. A. Lovett, dentist, will be in Shelby Wednesday, March 2, at the Danamora. Call and see him

W. B. Browne, Esq , was confined to his room a day or two last week but is in his office again this week.

The Advocate is pleased to state that Dr. A. T. Rowe is improving and will soon be himself again.

Mrs. John B. German sold her crop of cotton Monday to Lester, Mason & Co. for 5¼ all round.

Tobacco at 25 cents per pound by the caddy at
J. H. Hammond.

Capt. John B. Randall, one of the assending men of Shelby, gave us a pop call last Friday.

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Saginaw Dots.

Prof. McKinton, of Elliottsville, was in our town Saturday.

Ed. Piper transacted business in Pelham Saturday.

Paul Arnold, of Longview, was in the city a short while Saturday evening.

Anderson Nabors, of Birmingham, visited his father's family, J. H. Nabors, a few days last week.

Miss Mamie Patton, of Parkwood, is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. C. Murrah.

C. E. Hale transacted business in Shelby Springs and Columbiana Friday.

Frank Evans, of Camp Branch, paid us a flying visit Saturday.

Dock Nabors and family, of Dogwood, visited relatives in this community Saturday and Sunday.

Cape Benton, of Elliottsville, passed through this place Saturday last.

Charles Hale and son, George, spent Saturday in Montevallo.

Will Whitfield, of near Calera, is visiting relatives near this place.

J. E. Morris, of the Saginaw Lumber Co., spent Saturday in Birmingham.

Miss Annie Clisby is progressing nicely with her school at this place.

Mrs. M. A. Hale has been suffering very badly with rheumatism for the past week.

Richard Alexander, of Spring Creek, visited his sister, Mrs. Genior Fulton, Sunday.

Will Welch, Will Flakes and their fireman, Mr. Greer, who have been repairing a locomotive engine for the Saginaw Lumber Co., returned to Birmingham Saturday.

Rev. M. Pettis, of the Howard College, delivered two very interesting sermons here and at Longview Sunday. We are always glad to welcome any of the Howard boys into our homes and churches.

The Saginaw Lumber Co. are doing a good business now in the lumber line. We presume that Johnson's liver is acting more freely now than in times past.

Deputy Sheriff, W. E. Harrison, of Montevallo, was shuffling his papers among the citizens of this neighborhood last week.

The farmers have made good use of the past few pretty days gardening and farming generally.

If the Almighty intended for the same amount of truth to be in each man at maturity, some of our saw-mill saw-filers are full up with it, for there has not any ever come out of them yet.

Oce Burk's fence builder has struck for higher wages.

Mrs. Ada Bailey, of Gurnee, is visiting her father's family, Mr. L. P. Arnold, this week.

Zedie Wells visietd friends and relatives at Wesington Saturday and Sunday.

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Lewis Blows.

Health very good.

Miss Ida Farr we think is improving slowly, but she is yet seriously sick with typhoid pneumonia, but hope she will soon recover.

Several of our people attendod church at Florence Sunday.

Mr. Frank Day, of Yellow Leaf, passed through our community on Sunday last.

A. J. Roper attended the quarterly meeting at Union Saturday.

C. Spearman spent Saturday and Sunday on Yellow Leaf with relatives, and we think he was dear hunting, and, probably, he met with grand success. How about it, Mr. I. C.?

We learn that a mad dog bit three of Mr. D. F. Stone's children a few days ago, but we hope it will not prove serious.

Mr. E. S. Crumpton is the happiest man in town. It is a 11 pound boy.

G. D. Jackson, of Sylacauga, was in our neighborhood Saturday and Sunday.

Prof. Farrell has vacated his school until summer, on account of so much sickness.

E. S. Martin spent Saturday and Sunday in Lewis.

The Teachers' Institute at Four Mile, we are glad to say, was not a failure if the Superintendent of Education was not present. Business went on just the same.

Sam Crawford, of the Kingdom, was in our neighborhood Saturday, on business. Come again, Sam, you are a welcome visitor.

Messrs. Frank and Mixon Watters. of Talladega, spent Saturday and Sunday with relaiives at this place.

"Rope," of Farmer Points, I feel proud of your invitatien, and would be glad to respond at your request, but will wager my old every day cap that our young ladies of our community are more charming than they are down there, and that we have plenty to eat, sueh as it is. Now I will extend to you a cordial invitation to come and participate.

The friends of Prof. S. S. Crumpton would be glad to see his name announced for Circuit Clerk. Sam is a gentleman and we think he could fill the office O K.

Sager.

Center Point Dots.

The health of this community is not very good.

We learn that Little Bessie and Willie Curlee, son and daughter of Mr. L. N. Curlee, have been very sick this week; also Mr. G. F. McGiboney has two children who are quite ill. We learn that Mrs. Ursery, who is now at Mr. Robert Webster's, is very sick.

Mrs. J. M. Patridge is no better.

Mrs. Annie Crowell, of Shelby, we learn visited her sister, Mrs. Webster, last Wednesday.

Miss Ida Williams, of Birmingham, is visiting relatives in this community.

Prof. E. R. Newman reports the Institute a failure on last Friday but a success on Saturday.

Mr. Coleman Farr, of Foremile, was visiting his sister, Mrs. Ocea Curlee and other friends last Saturday night.

Miss Belle Seale, who has been teaching at Centerpoint, closed her school last Friday. She has taught three months and gave perfect satisfaction.

James McGibony, ot Rome, Ga., is visiting his brother, Mr. G. F. McGibony, in this community.

The Valentine party given to the young people of this community by Mrs. Fronie Horton, was greatly appreciated by all who attended.

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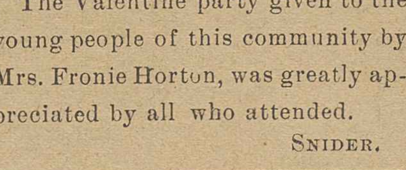
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Our buyer, Sam Lefkovits, will leave for Baltimore and New York on the 15th of February, to purchase an entire line of Spring and Summer Goods. So you may look out for Bargains, and if we can serve any of our customers with Special Orders, we will be glad to receive them at our store for the next 30 days.

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Announcement.

Candidates wishing Republican suppoat will do well to make it known through the columns of the Alabama Time Piece, Aldrich, Alabama, the only Republican organ of Shelby.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of one Fi Fa, issued from the Chancery Court of Shelby county, Sixth District north-eastern chancery division, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the court house in the town of Columbiana, Ala., on the 21st day of March, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

The east half of the northeast quarter, section 34, township 21, range 3 west, Also one dwelling house and lot in the town of Montevallo, said house is now occupied by H. R. Wells, formerly known as the Tom Wells house; bounded on the south by the Sam Allen lot, fronting street running from foot bridge to Southern Railroad. All in Shelby County, Ala.

Levied upon as the property of H. R. Wells, to satisfy said Fi Fa in my hands in favor of the American Mortgage Company of Scotland, Limited.

This 14th day of February, 1898.
E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

APPLICATION TO SELL LAND

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Shelby County Ala.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Honorable D. R. McMillan, Judge of Probate for Shelby county, Ala., I, as administrator of the estate of William Booth, deceased, will sell at public oui cry, to the highest bidder for cash, at Montevallo, Ala., on Wednesday, the 16th day of March, 1898, during the legal hours of sale, for the purpose of distribution among the heirs of said place, all the following described real estate belonging to the estate of William Booth deceased, viz: The northeast quarter of the southeast quarter, and part of the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 20, township 21, range 4 west, containing 74 acres more or less, and situated in Shelby county, Ala.

This the 22d day of February, 1898.
E. F. VEST,
Administrator of the Estate of William Booth, Deceased.

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Notice No. 19518.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Ruben Gilliam, Homestead entry No. 25,745, for the NW¼ of NE¼, NE¼ of NW¼, sec. 34, tp. 19 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Quito, Ala., John W. Walker, Highland, Ala., Andrew N. Wilson, Highland, Ala., Rufus M. Acton, Pelham, Ala.
ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19519.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., January 28, 1898.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on March 10th, 1898, viz: Robert J. McGuire, Homestead entry No. 26,748, for the NE¼ of SW¼, sec. 6, tp. 20 south of range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Ruben T. Gilliam, Quito, Ala., Paul Nabors, William Payne, Henry C. Taul, all of Pelham, Ala.
ROBERT BARBER Register.

Her Beginning.

Tom—How do you like that novel I brought you yesterday?

Alice—Oh, I don't like it at all. I don't care to finish it.

Tom—How much have you read?

Alice—One chapter.

Tom—Then you really haven't got into the story. The first chapter's merely a sort of an introduction.

Alice—But the first chapter isn't the one I've read, and the heroine dies! No, you may take it back.

As They All Do.

"Of course, the bride's father gave her away, but didn't any one give away the groom?"

"Oh, the groom gave himself away. Asked her at the very first dinner at the hotel if she took cream and sugar in her coffee."—Indianapolis Journal.

Candor.

"I suppose," said the campaign worker, "that you are going to vote the straight ticket?"

"No," said the unswerving partisan "I'm going to keep on voting the same old ticket; I don't care how crooked it gets."—Washington Star.

A Beautiful Blotchy Face.

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The tunnels of the world are estimated to number about 1,142, with a total length of 514 miles.

The Maryland senate has passed a bill changing the form of oath from "I swear" to "I declare," and omitting the phrase "So help me God."

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

The octopus has appeared in the Norwegian fjords. A specimen with tentacles over ten feet long was recently captured by boatmen in these waters.

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The new British battleship Implacable will cost $5,000,000, the largest sum ever spent on a war vessel. The armor and guns will absorb about $1,500,000.

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PASSING OF WYANDOTS.

AN INDIAN TRIBE THAT IS BEING SLOWLY WIPED OUT.

Not a Full-Blood Left of the Entire Nation—Only 273 on Their Indian Territory Reservation.

Time has slowly but surely broken and wiped away the ties of tribal relations of the Wyandot Indians, once one of the most warlike and powerful tribes on the American continent. They were the holders of the council fires and the wampum records of the western confederacy of Indian tribes, and were considered by such generals as William Henry Harrison and "Mad Anthony" Wayne as the bravest of Indians.

The decay of this nation has been so slow that few of those who have been closely associated with them have realized that it has reached its present tottering state. Down in the Indian territory adjoining Newton county, Mo., are the lands owned by the remnant of the Wyandots. They have 20,000 acres of land. In this tract is the small town of Wyandot, owned principally by Alfred Mudeater. He is one of the foremost men of the tribe and a progressive business man. He is also postmaster of the town. His Indian name is Rehhooh-zhah. He has some Delaware blood in his veins, besides the white and Wyandot blood. On the entire allotment are only 273 people who have Wyandot blood in their veins. Not one of these is a full blood. Few are even half or quarter bloods. The average is about one-eighth Indian blood. Scattered about the country in Kansas City, Kas., Florida, and Canada, Michigan, New York, Ohio, and California are about 200 others who are known as absentee Wyandots. Not one of them is a full blood. These—less than 500 all told—form what is left of the once powerful tribe of the natives of the American soil and its aboriginal inhabitants.

Many of the Wyandots, however, in fact the majority of them, are now on a high plane of civilization, cultivated in the arts and practicing the professions side by side with the white man. All are now professing Christians, as the tribe long ago gave up its pagan religion. The Wyandots who lived in Ohio and were the ancestors of those now in the Indian territory were slow to adopt Christianity as a religion. Chief Summunduwot, who lived in the early part of the present century, was one of the first chiefs of the Ohio branch of the tribe to give up his pagan beliefs and profess the religion of the whites. Summunduwot was murdered in Williams county, O., by white thieves to whom he had given lodging while returning from a hunting expedition in Michigan, Dec. 4, 1845.

Some of the younger members of the tribe are known as Indians only to their friends or to people who have been told of the fact. Matthew T. Betton of Kansas City, Kan., and Miss Mary Josephine Lofland, of the Indian Territory, are among this class and are of the younger generation. Betton is an insurance agent in Kansas City, Kan. Miss Lofland is superintendent of a department and teacher in the Indian School at Pawhusky, I. T. She is an exceptionally bright young woman and a graduate of an eastern seminary. Her Indian name is one of the most beautiful in the inlanguage. It is Sehts-at-mah and signifies "holding a flower."

Five or six years ago the Wyandots gave up the annual green corn feast, which was a national festival at which tribal names were bestowed upon children born during the year by the council of women of the clans. This negative act on the part of the Wyandots was the most distinctive indication of the degeneration of its tribal and national relations, because the green corn feast was their most important tribal custom. No clan names are now officially given since this feast was abandoned, but the custom will probably be kept up by mothers privately in families for another generation.

The Wyandot Indians came to Kansas from Ohio about 1833. April 6, 1832, they signed a treaty with the United States by the terms of which they were to sell their lands in the Buckeye state. They settled in Kansas at the junction of the Kansas, or Kaw, river and the Missouri river, in what is now known as Leavenworth and Wyandotte counties. Wyandotte was named for them, but the legislative enactment added the final "te" to the name. The Indian name was, and is yet, spelled Wyandot.

At the time of their removal to Kansas the Wyandots were at the head of what was known as the western confederacy of Indian tribes. It embraced the tribes of Pottawatomies, Shawnees, Delawares, Miamis, Plankashaws, Weas, Kick-a-poos, Chippewas, and Ottawas. The signs of the decay of the nations were then to be seen. The great council fire was allowed to go out and no councils were held. In 1848, however, although it is not generally known, the great council fire was rekindled by the Wyandots near Fort Leavenworth.

The Wyandots were originally of the Huron branch of the Iroquois nation. The Iroquois, however, almost exterminated the Hurons in a war in the middle of the seventeenth century. The Tionontetes, or Tobacco Indians, a branch of the Hurons, who lived in the rugged country, escaped, and uniting with scattered bands of the Hurons and some Algonquins, adopted the name of Wyandot. They were driven from place to place by various wars, but finally settled in Ohio, where they remained until the treaty of 1832, when they came to Kansas.

Light Divided Among Many.

"Don't tell me that Americans are extravagant," said the Jerseyman. "I saw enough economy in two minutes on the ferryboat the other night to be satisfied that we're careful enough about the little things that might be wasted. Maybe is the hard times that are to account for it—or perhaps the price of matches has gone up, though I hadn't heard of it—but one match went a great way that night.

"I filled my pipe as I stepped on the boat and fumbled in my pockets until I got forward, but I couldn't find a match, so I picked out a likely looking stranger and asked him for one. He hadn't any, but I could light my pipe from his cigar, which had a good coal. He said he borrowed a light himself from a man at the other end of the boat. As things turned out, I'll bet that his benefactor was a beggar for a blaze, too.

"I'd hardly get my first draw, when up came two fresh young men with fresh cigarettes in their fresh faces and the freshest one asked me for a match. I couldn't help passing the fire along, so I let him dig his cigarette into the bowl, after which the other fellow got a light from him.

"Later on I gave a light to a man on the train. I don't know whether his light was given to anybody or not, but I wouldn't wonder if that light was going yet somewhere around the country. And I'd like to know who had the original match that went so far. Just think of all the strangers to each other who are united by that chain of sparks."—New York Sun.

PAY OF PARLIAMENTS.

Boers Get More Cash, But Our Senators Have Valuable Perquisites.

So far as payments in hard cash go, the brawny burghers of the Transvaal are decidedly the best off. Quite recently the Boer Parliament increased the salaries of its members to $6,000 a year for each individual, as they can very easily afford to do, when one remembers the big tax tolls which the unfranchised Uitlanders are compelled to pay. But in actual emoluments the United States Senator probably receives a better reward. He gets mileage and numerous minor fees and privileges, which swell his annual income materially over its nominal $5,000.

Great Britain, as every student knows, gives her Members of Parliament no salaries, although the Government officials for the time being are royally paid. The First Lord of the Treasury receives $25,000, as also do the Foreign, Home, Colonial, Indian and War secretaries. The Lord Chancellor receives $50,000 per annum. But for the M. P. who does not hold office there is naught but honor. Even the old privilege of not being liable for arrest for debt while an M. P. has been abolished.

The British colonies, however, do not follow the example of the mother country. New South Wales and Victoria allow their M. P.'s $1,500 per annum, Canada and South Australia $1,000 with an additional mileage rate for the former, and Queensland $750, with mileage. New Zealand representatives get $1,200.

France gives its Senators and Deputies $1,800, but there is a "string" to this salary which might be tried elsewhere, in Vienna, for instance, with good effect. Any member who is twice called to order during a sitting forfeits half his salary for two weeks. Cases exist where certain fiery French Deputies have lost their entire year's allowances in this manner.

Belguim grants members of the Representatives' chamber $800 a year and passes on the railroads, but curiously enough makes its Senators work for nothing and pay their own traveling expenses.

In the realms of the Queen of Holland members of the upper house are paid a sum equal to about $4.18 per diem for each session, but since they meet only thirty of thirty-two days in the year they cannot be said to clear much. In the second chamber $830 per annum with a travelling grant of 27 cents for every hour spent on the railroad, are the allowances. Absentee Dutch lawgivers forfeit their salaries, whether their absence is caused by illness or not.

The new Japanese parliamentary constitution compels each member of the national Parliament to draw annually from the treasury about $665. Any member of the aristocratic classes refusing to accept this salary, through pride or other reasons, is subject to fine and dismissal, by the parliamentary rules of 1890.

Portugal is niggardly with its representatives, giving them only $320, and Norway pays members from $350 to $400, according to the length of the session.

In Sweden members of the upper house serve absolutely for patriotism and the lower chamber members get only $335. Moreover, $2.75 per diem is deducted for non-attendance. Even the unpaid upper house is fined for absenteeism, although its members get nothing—not even train fares.

The Greek lawgiver is a $360 per annum man, with additions for overtime work (such as in the recent war). It was suggested recently that these salaries should be "docked" slightly, so as to help pay the Turkish indemnity, but the idea was condemned promptly. Switzerland gives her councilors something less than $5 a week with about 6 cents a day for traveling expenses.

Slot Machines Yields Gas

From putting a penny in the slot to get a piece of chewing gum or a cake of chocolate or a nickel to see whether the indicator stops on the red or the black the Chicago slot-machine field has been extended to take in the gas meter. By puttng a quarter in a prepayment meter—a European device just being introduced in this city—250 feet of illuminating gas may be procured.

The slot-machine meter is constructed much after the fashion of an ordinary meter except for the slot-machine attachment on one of the sides. The new meter announces to the consumer just how much gas is used each day or fraction thereof. As a reminder that another quarter must be forthcoming the brightness of the gas lessens in the house just as the 250 feet allotment is on the verge of entire consumption.

To get a start on a quarter's worth of gas a little bar on the side of the meter is pulled out through a notch in the handle that regulates the setting of the indicator at the starting point on the dial, which is in an upper corner of the meter. In pulling out the bar the slot is opened and the coin is put in. The bar then is pushed back, closing the slot. Then the handle is turned until the indicator reaches the "stop" station.—Chicago Record.

Two Classes.

The clergy of Russia are divided into two classes—the white or village clergy, who must all be married, and the black clergy, or monks, who are vowed to celibacy. The higher dignitaries of the church are invariably chosen from this last class.

RECEPT AND PRACTICE.

My grandmother used to say to me,
My grandmother used to say,
'Now, don't run after the boys, my girl,
But stick to your sewing, pray!
For men who want wives will hunt them dear;
Care not to be met half way;
For the longest chase is the fairest sport,"
My grandmother used to say.

My grandmother used to say to me,
My grandmother used to say,
'Now, stop your dreaming and baste your hem,
Dreams never were meant for day,
Don't hurry, my girl, to find a lad,
Maids never have will nor way
Till sorrow and twenty are come and gone,"
My grandmother used to say.

But I'd heard some tales and said one day:
"Now, Granny, you dear old thing,
You met, I've been told, your lover at
The gate at the meadow spring,
And, though scarce eighteen, you rod behind
To the village six miles away,
And were married and all by Parson Phip.
Now, what have you got to say?"

And grandmother smiled demurely, then,
Above the hurrying thread;
"'Twas not for the lack of precept, dear,
Things happened as you have said;
For, 'Stop your dreaming and baste your hem,
For the men won't run away;'
And 'Wooing will keep for a good twelve year,'
My grandmother used to say."
—Richard Stillman Powell, in Puck.

MOR OF THE DAY.

Nobody seems to care much whether he kisses the bride at a silver wedding or not.—West Union Gazette.

He—"Did she say why she left her last place?" She—"Why, the woman she lived with sneered at the wheel she rides." —Puck.

"Lend me a dollar, old man." "Can't; only have a half." "That's all right; you can owe me the other half."—Princeton Tiger.

Duzby—"Do you regard thirteen as an unlucky number?" Dooby—"Certainly I do; aren't they always abusing it?"—Roxbury Gazette.

Spendley—"Well, if my money should go, dearest, you'd still have me!" Mrs. Spendley—"Don't you be too sure about that!"—Puck.

"Now, when you ask papa for me, be sure to face him like a man." "That I will. He doesn't get any chance at my back if I can help it."—Standard.

Mrs. Goodenough—"Now, Johnnie, won't you sit down and tell me why your papa whipped you?" Johnnie—"No, mam; I'd rather stand and say nothin'."—Judge.

Guest (in cheap restaurant)—"Here, waiter, this meal is simply vile. I won't pay for it. Where's the proprietor?" Waiter—"He's out at lunch, sir."—Philadelphia Record.

"I am very sorry, Captain Brown, but circumstances over which I have no control compel me to say no." "May I ask what the circumstances are?" "Yours."—Pick-Me-Up.

"Is it true that Rakeup has been in search of buried treasure?" "I guess it is. He said something to me about diving into his wife's pocket for cash." —Philadelphia North American.

"I thoroughly enjoy looking at the advertising pages after the holidays are over." "Any special reason?" "Yes; here and there I see something my wife didn't buy."—Chicago Record.

Reporter—"How much do you want written about that dime museum freak with a rubber neck?" Editor—"We're short of matter to-day; stretch it out to a column."—Norristown Herald.

He—"I've a ripping new naughty story to tell you. I don't think I've told it you before." She—"Is it a real good one?" He—"It is indeed." She—"Then you haven't told it me before."—Standard.

"Waiter, do you remember me? I came in here yesterday and ordered a steak." Waiter—"Yes, sir. Will you have the same to-day?" Customer—"Yes, if no one else is using it."—London Answers.

Old Foggs—"In this natural history, Thomas, it states that a thrush feeds its young no fewer than two hundred and six times a day. What have you to say to that?" Thomas—"Wish I was a young thrush."—Standard.

Jack Bachelor—"So your late uncle left you all his money when he died, did he?" Bob Bluffer (disgustedly)—"No, not all. The mean old duffer had to go and leave two hundred and fifty dollars of it for a tombstone."—Judge.

Mrs. Fogg—"One can never tell what to believe. Mrs. Jones says the Wimpers fight like cats and dogs, and Mrs. Brown says they are the happiest couple in town." Fogg—"I don't see as there need be any inconsistency in the two stories. Some people are never happy unless they are quarreling."—Boston Transcript.

"What pretty illuminated cards!" exclaimed one woman. "That one with the motto, 'Honesty is the best policy,' is especially nice." "Yes," replied the other. "I brought them from Europe, and the best of it is, I got them through with a lot of other things without paying a cent of duty."—Washington Star.

"Shall we shoot or hang him?" asked the vigilantes. The methodical man of business paused to think. "Let us not be hasty," he said, "for hurry begets criminal waste and extravagance. The first thing to do is to learn the price of rope, and compare it with the price of ammunition."—Philadelphia North American.

Dying Millionaire—"I have been much in litigation, always successful, too, and I feel that I owe everything to the lawyers. I want them to have all my property." Attorney—"Ah! You wish me to make a will, then, bequeathing—" Dying Millionaire—"Cutting off all my relations and bequeathing the money to charitable institutions."—New York Weekly.

How the Brain Acts.

Although the brain is perpetually active, the whole of it is never active at one time. The two hemispheres or halves do not operate simultaneously, but alternate in action—now it is the one-half, then the other.

Nations That Own Telegraphs.

Austria, Hungary, Belgium, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Italy, Portugal, Sweden, Norway and Switzerland own all the telegraph lines in their respective territory.

A PAYING COTTON CROP.

Best Method of Growing the Staple to Make a Profit.

The low price of cotton is already bringing out various schemes for reducing the acreage in this crop. At present prices for the staple there is no profit in cotton growing for the average farmer who follows the old plan of growing cotton after cotton on land that has long since parted with all its vegetable matter, and who cultivates three acres or more to get a bale. There should of course be a reduction of the acreage in cotton, and an increase of the acreage in the crops used for forage and the improvement of the land. There should be more intelligent farming and less of mere planting in the old ruts. We have often shown that a man by systematic use of the cheaper forms of fertilizers on peas can accumulate vegetable matter in his soil that will enable him to use the commercial fertilizers to greater profit on his crops. A soil full of decayed vegetable matter will give better results from the use of commercial fertilizers than one in which there is no such deposit. It will withstand the effects of drought better, is warmer and earlier in the spring, and its mechanical texture is such that it is easier to work. What we need now to do is not so much to reduce the general crop of cotton in the South as to grow the crop on fewer acres and at less expense. If cotton will bring but five cents per lb. then if we are to grow it at a profit we must produce it at a less cost than five cents. We have seen it grown at an actual cost of three and a half cents when all the labor was paid for in cash, and an accurate account kept. But the crop was a long way over half a bale per acre. With but half a bale per acre or less the cost of growing cotton will exceed its present price. And this is now just the condition of the majority of the cotton growers in the Southern uplands. Reduce your acreage, but make the efforts to get just as much cotton on the reduced acreage. The way to do is not to take an old cotton field and give an extra dose of fertilizer, but start at once in the work of building up the land and stocking it with vegetable matter till you can give all the fertilizer that can profitably be used. You have an old piece of land that has been in cotton for generations. You have grown no peas, as you should have done, and have no pea fallow for the cotton. What is next best? We would cut the cotton area in such a case right in two or less, and would go to work at once to cover all the portion to be cultivated with some sort of decayed vegetation. Get to the forest and haul out during the winter all the decayed mould you can get and cover all the l and over broadcast. Do not go to the labor of composting, but cover the land all over with the refuse from the forest. Spread all the cotton seed out the same way, and then apply broadcast, too, a mixture of Kainit and acid phosphate in equal parts at rate of 400 pounds per acre. Put it out during the winter, and do not be afraid it will get away from you. It will simply get into better condition for the crop by being put on the land a month or two ahead of planting. With the land covered over bodily with the black mold and leaves from the woods you will have an amount of humus added to the soil that will make your fertilizers more effective, and the leaching away of the salt in the Kainit will render soluble some matters in this mold that will be of value to the crop. Then when you come to prepare for the crop a light dressing of some complete fertilizer, or only some cotton seed meal, will give the plants an early start, and through all the summer they will be finding new food as their roots extend. Kainit has a special value in bringing about conditions that enable the plant to resist the attacks of rust and leaf blight, and although under general conditions we believe that the more concentrated potash salts, like the muriate or the sulphate, are the cheaper with the cotton crop we would use Kainit with an abundance of acid phosphate. The same mixture applied to a crop of peas, and the peas let die on the land, will give you a coat of vegetable matter ready spread that will be better than that which you could haul there. But for the present try the hauling of vegetable decay and cover the land all over, and then get the acid phosphate and Kainit there a month or so ahead of the planting. Broadcast manuring and the growing of peas are the means for bringing land up to the production of 4000 pounds seed cotton per acre.

In all the special fertilizers for cotton there is too small a percentage of potash for the sandy lands of the Southern coast plan, which need this element badly. While, therefore, a man may use a complete fertilizer in the furrow for his cotton, he will, if he is on sandy land, find that the broadcast application of Kainit, which we have recommended will pay well, and will reduce the amount necessary to use in the furrow to give the cotton a start by fully one-half.

W. F. MASSEY.

During January 705 sleighs, 12,775 bicycles and 33,085 pedestrians patronized Fairmount Park, Philadelphia. This is a remarkable showing for this time of the year. During the whole year of 1897 the number of bicycles frequenting that park exceeded that of pedestrians.

A record of 32,476 miles on a bicycle over all sorts of roads, in 365 days is the accomplishment of John H. George, of Philadelphia, an average of almost 100 miles a day for the year 1897. Another Quaker City wheelman is not far behind George in record, John M. Nobre having ridden 28,718 miles during the same period.

Do not attempt to take your machine to pieces unless you are sure you know how to replace the many parts correctly and adjust the bearings accurately. Should you know how to take the bearings out, and do so, never forget when replacing the balls to drop five or six drops of oil on the dry balls before covering with the cone.

Century runs will not be as popular this year, and within a very short time they are expected to die out entirely. Ordinary riders do not believe in them. The task of riding 100 miles or so is not in the least enjoyable when runs are made on schedule time. One has no chance to enjoy a ride under such circumstances, his only endeavor being to keep up with the bunch.

The safest way after drenching the bearings with kerosene and running them thoroughly is to lay the machine on its side until the kerosene has run out, which it will do in a few minutes, though if you can leave it in a reclining position over night so much the better.

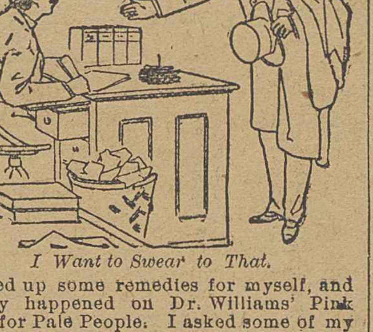
Don't depend upon your brake to save you from accident. Cultivate the art of back-pedalling.

A Vigorous Battle.

From the New Era, Greensburg, Ind.

The following is a straightforward statement by a veteran of the late war. No comrade will need further proof than their friend's own words, as here given.

Squire John Castor, of Newpoint, Ind., is the narrator, and an honest, respected citizen he is too. He said: "I have been troubled with rheumatism in all my joints ever since I went to the war. It was brought on by my exposure there. It came on me gradually, and kept getting worse until I was unable to do any work. I tried several physicians, but they did me no good. They said my trouble was rheumatism resulting in disease of the heart, and that there was no cure for it. Nevertheless I had lived and fought the disease for thirty years, and did not intend to die, simply because they said I must, so I



I Want to Swear to That.

hunted up some remedies for myself, and finally happened on Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I asked some of my neighbors about the medicine, for it had been used by several persons in the community, and they recommended it very highly. I procured a box. The pills helped me right away, and I continued taking them. I commenced taking them last fall, and finished taking the sixth box a few months ago. I am not bothered with the rheumatism now—the medicine has cured me. I can most certainly recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People."

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